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Syrian Students Demonstrate

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Damascus, Apr. 9.

Thousands of students from the Syrian University and from religious institutes demonstrated here today against "Jewish truce violations."

They asserted readiness to fight with the Syrian Army. Syria has asked the Security Council to meet soon to consider her protest against Israeli violations in the frontier zones of Hule and El Hamma, it was reported here today.

The Syrian Foreign Ministry said today that it had no knowledge of a Russian protest which Damascus newspapers said had been sent to Britain and America against Israeli "aggression" on the frontier.

The newspaper reports said that the note called the incidents a "Jewish-Anglo-American manoeuvre" against Syria. A spokesman here said that Syria would respect the provisions of the truce so long as Israel did, but would not hesitate to meet any violation of the truce with force.

The Israeli Government has also referred the border incident to the Security Council.

STUDYING REQUEST

Egypt's request to Britain to act with France and the United States in the matter is being studied in London.

A Foreign Office spokesman there said that Britain would probably consult France and the United States soon on this question, in the context of the tripartite declaration on the Middle East last May. No reply has yet been sent on the Egyptian request.

It was reported from Tel-Aviv that the French Minister to Israel, M. Edouard Cuyon, advised Israel today to act with moderation in her dispute with Syria.

The French move followed a similar one by the United States Government, French Legation sources in Tel-Aviv said. The French Government's verbal message was conveyed to Dr. Walter Eytan, the Director General of the Israeli Foreign Office.

There is no agreement yet on the agenda for the proposed

meeting of the Syrian-Israeli Mixed Armistice Commission. It is understood in the Israeli capital that one of the difficulties in the way of an early meeting of the Commission is Israel's unofficial objection to the Chairman of the Commission, Colonel Georges Bossavy, of France.

The Israeli authorities, who are reported to have "lost confidence" in Colonel Bossavy, expect the United Nations Acting Chief of Staff, Colonel de Ridder, to replace him by another officer at all events for the first meeting of the re-convened Commission, it is believed.—Reuter.

ARAB LEAGUE PACT

Damascus, Apr. 9. Leading Arab military officials, including Syrians, meeting in Amman, Jordan, on Wednesday, will discuss the recent Syria-Israel frontier incidents, authoritative reports said tonight.

The occasion for the meeting is Jordanian Army Day. They will also deal with the setting up of a liaison organisation to maintain speedy communications between the Arab Chiefs of Staff, the same source said.

Colonel Adib Shishikly, Commander-in-Chief of the Syrian Army, who arrived in Cairo tonight, will see the Egyptian Prime Minister, Nuhass Pasha, and report on the Syrian-Israeli border dispute, it is reported from Cairo.

He will have talks with the Egyptian Minister of War and Marine and with the Commander-in-Chief of the Egyptian Army. These talks will concern the collective security pact binding the seven-member states of the Arab League into a military alliance.—Reuter.

Shropshires And Kosbies To Relieve The 27th Brigade In Korea

London, Apr. 9.

The War Office announced today that the 27th British Infantry Brigade in Korea is to be relieved by the 28th Infantry Brigade and will then return to Hongkong. The announcement said that the First Battalions of the King's Own Scottish Borderers and the King's Shropshire Light Infantry would relieve the First Battalions of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders and the Middlesex Regiment respectively.

The 27th Brigade arrived in Korea in August, 1950. It spent seven months almost continuously in the fighting line and has distinguished itself in action. When Seoul again fell to the Communists on January 4 this year troops of the 27th Brigade were last out of the South Korean capital.—Reuter.

CAPE D'AGUILAR PLANE DISASTER

NO WRECKAGE OR SURVIVORS FOUND AS YET

A Royal Air Force Harvard aircraft joined Marine Police launches and naval craft this morning in a continued search for the Siamese Airways Dakota plane which crashed somewhere outside the harbour last night with 11 passengers and a crew of five aboard. But no success has been reported.

The Marine Police believe they have a reasonably good idea of the location of the crash, but it is deep water in the area and it is possible, therefore, that the wrecked aircraft will not be found until the sea bed in the vicinity has been dragged.

The plane, which first tried to land at Kai Tak about 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon was diverted because of poor visibility. The pilot headed the machine for Formosa but was unable to land at Tainan because of bad weather. He returned to Hongkong and arrived about 8 o'clock. Poor visibility still prevailed and although the pilot tried to get in, the aircraft crashed into the sea near Cape d'Aguliar.

The pilot had been in radio contact with the control tower at Kai Tak and when he intimated that he might land down on the southeast approaches, an emergency signal was flashed to the Police, Marine Police launches, naval craft and the RAF.

Shortly afterwards, Inspector Hughes, in command of No. 1 Police launch and the officer in charge of a RAF search launch saw a flash on the surface of the water off Cape d'Aguliar.

It is believed it was caused by the plane crashing into the sea and exploding.

But although a search was continued late into the night, with Royal Navy ships helping by throwing the powerful beams of their searchlights on the area, and star shells being fired to give further illumination, no trace of the aircraft, wreckage or survivors was found.

Little hope is entertained that there are any survivors inasmuch as it is believed the plane exploded on hitting the sea, and the water in the area is about 16 fathoms deep. The Civil Aviation Department this morning said that "most certainly" an investigation will be conducted into the catastrophe.

The General Manager of the Siamese Airways, Ltd., is due to arrive from Bangkok today to help in the investigation and it is understood he will bring with him a list of the passengers and crew which the aircraft carried.

Budget Predictions

London, Apr. 9.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Hugh Gaitkell, will lay before the House of Commons on Tuesday an all-time-record peacetime budget of which almost one-third will be earmarked for rearmament, political quarters reported tonight.

Total expenditures are expected to be around £4,500,000,000 of which about £1,300,000,000 will be the first instalment in a three-year defence programme which is to total £4,700,000,000.

Mr. Gaitkell, who already has warned Britons they face "hard and unpleasant" times due to the menace of Communist aggression, will introduce the Budget at about 3.30 p.m. Tuesday. On his 45th birthday today he reported to the Cabinet and the King his closely-guarded Budget "secret" — how he proposes to raise money for his expenditure. In his speech on Tuesday he will save these secrets until after the stock market has closed at 4 p.m.

Mr. Gaitkell must raise about £200,000,000 more than in the last fiscal year, which ended on March 31, to pay for extra rearmament expenditure. Conservative predict that he will knock under to the demands of Left Wing Socialists and make his another "weak" budget by imposing higher taxes on profits, dividends and such "luxuries" as gasoline for automobiles. He is not expected to propose any drastic cuts in Labour "welfare state" expenditures which last year totalled nearly £200,000,000. United Press.

PETAIN VERY ILL

Le Rocher-Sur-Yeu, Apr. 9. — Ex-Rocher-Sur-Yeu, France's state of health has become aggravated in the past 24 hours. Medical experts here said he had been suffering from a severe attack of influenza. The ex-Prime Minister's condition is being watched closely by the French Government. The French Government is staying out of it.

UN Objectives In Korea To Be Stated

TRUMAN EXPECTED TO MAKE DECLARATION

Washington, Apr. 9.

The way was being cleared today for President Truman to issue a long-awaited statement of United Nations objectives in the Korean war within a week or 10 days.

United Nations diplomats said today that they were hopeful that it would be possible for the representatives of the 14 United Nations members with forces in Korea to reach agreement this week on the terms of such a statement.

The most generally accepted view here was that the statement, expected to have an important influence on efforts to bring peace in Korea, would be issued by President Truman as head of the State entrusted by the United Nations with the unified command in Korea.

According to present plans the diplomatic aspects of the statement would later be further clarified by the Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, in a public speech next week.

The content of the objectives of the United Nations in the Korean war has been under study for several weeks. All the Governments concerned are understood to have submitted their comments on a draft originally prepared in the State Department.—Reuter.

BRITAIN'S CONCERN

A rush of questions in the House of Commons reflected Britain's growing concern today over the aims of the United Nations in Korea and General

MacArthur. The French Foreign Office spokesman in Paris said that government's views had been made known to the United States government, though not by a formal note.

"Militarily," he said, "the bombing of Manchuria by the United Nations forces might be correct, but politically we do not think it's a good thing." France is opposed to any extension of the Korean war, he added, whether by bombing Manchuria or by the use of Nationalist Chinese troops.

The spokesman said France was under the impression that General MacArthur already had been given permission to bomb Manchurian bases, a serious factor against UN forces in Korea.

NO CLEAR DIRECTION

The London Daily Mirror's New York correspondent said that General MacArthur was "defying his own country's government and also other United Nations governments by making policy statements of his own." But he said the General was being compelled to wage a campaign "without clear direction."

The Labourite Daily Herald asserted the "chief cause of confusion" in UN policy was General MacArthur "who persists in conducting two campaigns simultaneously—military and political."

The Conservative Daily Mail declared: "If politicians on both sides of the Atlantic worried less about General MacArthur and more about their own failure to give him proper directions we might see daylight." But it said General MacArthur's suggestion to use Chinese Nationalist troops on the mainland found no support here.

The Paris Rightwing daily L'Express said Europeans feared General MacArthur's proposed strategy tended to "serve the plans of the USSR and give it a free hand in the West."

In Copenhagen, the Independent Albmindet, declared: "A self-willed general in Tokyo" apparently was heading American foreign policy, not President Truman or the Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson.

The German newspaper Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung said President Truman should make it plain to the "headstrong" general that he might observe certain limits, even though he has gained respect as a general in the past.

The Liberal Swedish Stockholm Tidningen commented that United States Democratic Party leaders feared a "MacArthur" in the United States would be more dangerous than a MacArthur in the Far East.

A Swedish newspaper said that the United Nations in Korea were now under

Other sources said, however, that Britain would voice strong protests about General MacArthur's recent activities in the privacy of talks among the 14 nations involved directly in the Korean war.

Protest Over Tanker

Tokyo, Apr. 9.

The Chinese Communist Minister of Communications, Chang Pu-chun, issued a statement on Monday protesting the requisitioning of the Chinese tanker Yung Mao by the Hong Kong government, Peking Radio reported today.

Chang said the Hong Kong government was "confiscating" the vessel, "violating" the "freedom of navigation" and "stealing" the vessel. Chang said the 15,000-ton vessel belonged to a Nationalist organ which had been taken over by the Peking government, and the ship therefore also belonged to the Chinese Communist. He said the Hong Kong government must "accept the full responsibility" for its action.—United Press.

The latest reports from French patriots in the area said that the irregulars had occupied a third village inside Indo-China in addition to the two reported yesterday.

This was Tainho, 25 miles north of Lai Chau. The other two were Bannicoum, on the border, and Phong Tho, 50 miles west of Lao Kay.

The French Air Force Commander, General Andre Hartermann, flew over the area yesterday in search of the band.

French sources, who yesterday said that they thought the irregulars belonged to bands always active in the area during the opium season, said that if the patrols reached the border without finding them it could be assumed that they had returned to China.

More than 200 miles to the southwest, French Union counter-guerrilla forces continued their mopping up operations in the Tonkin Delta area, a French Army communiqué reported.

Vietminh forces, firing American bazookas, last night blew up a Vietnamese look-out tower on the northwest frontier of the French post of Vietri, at the western extremity of the Tonkin Delta bridgehead with mortar and machine-gun fire.

French guns shelled a Vietminh base of the move at night northeast of Luangnam, about 30 miles northeast of Hanoi.

Lucnam is inside the towering Dongtrien Mountains from which the Vietminh launched two big attacks on a French post in the past 10 days.—Reuter.

Some returned servicemen recently charged that the government was stalling on the executions because it did not want the publicity during the Japanese peace treaty and Pacific Pact discussions. The government denied this.

Other sentences passed by the court ranged from life to six months.—United Press.

World's Latest In Destroyers

Southampton, Apr. 9.

The most up-to-date destroyer in the world, the Dufferin, weighing 3,700 tons and costing £1,750,000—was launched at Southampton today.

Vice-Admiral Earl Mountbatten, Fourth Sea Lord, said that she would have the finest anti-aircraft control system devised and the finest method of destroying submarines. She would really bring down enemy aircraft instead of slightly frightening them, he added.—Reuter.

The British Ambassador, Sir Ralph Stevenson, called on the Egyptian Foreign Minister, Salah El Din Bey, today. Afterwards he said that the British proposals for a new Anglo-Egyptian "understanding" would be submitted "very soon."

The meeting lasted half an hour. The Egyptian Foreign Minister said: "We had an important conversation."

The Egyptian Ambassador to London, Amir Pasha, was present. Later Sir Ralph called on the Egyptian Prime Minister, Nuhass Pasha.—Reuter.

Still No Sign Of Invaders

Hanoi, Apr. 9.

French troops flown to Indo-China's northern frontier to fight Chinese irregulars, reported to have invaded Indo-China from Yunnan Province, advanced to within 25 miles of the border without finding the Chinese, French sources said here today.

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COMMENT OF THE DAY

Organisational Weakness

DURING the recent Budget debate some criticism was levelled against the Immigration Department and in reply the Colonial Secretary, while admitting that everything was not ideal, claimed that the shortcomings were caused principally by lack of proper accommodation and shortage of senior officers. One can sympathise with any department which has to operate under such handicaps. Nevertheless, there appears to exist an organisational weakness about the Immigration Department that is not to be entirely explained away by inadequate space and staff. A correspondent this week has described his experience when he sought a re-entry permit for himself and his family. According to his version he was shuttlecocked between the ground floor and the first floor with nobody apparently either willing or capable of dealing with his application. When he did finally receive attention it was a negative shake of

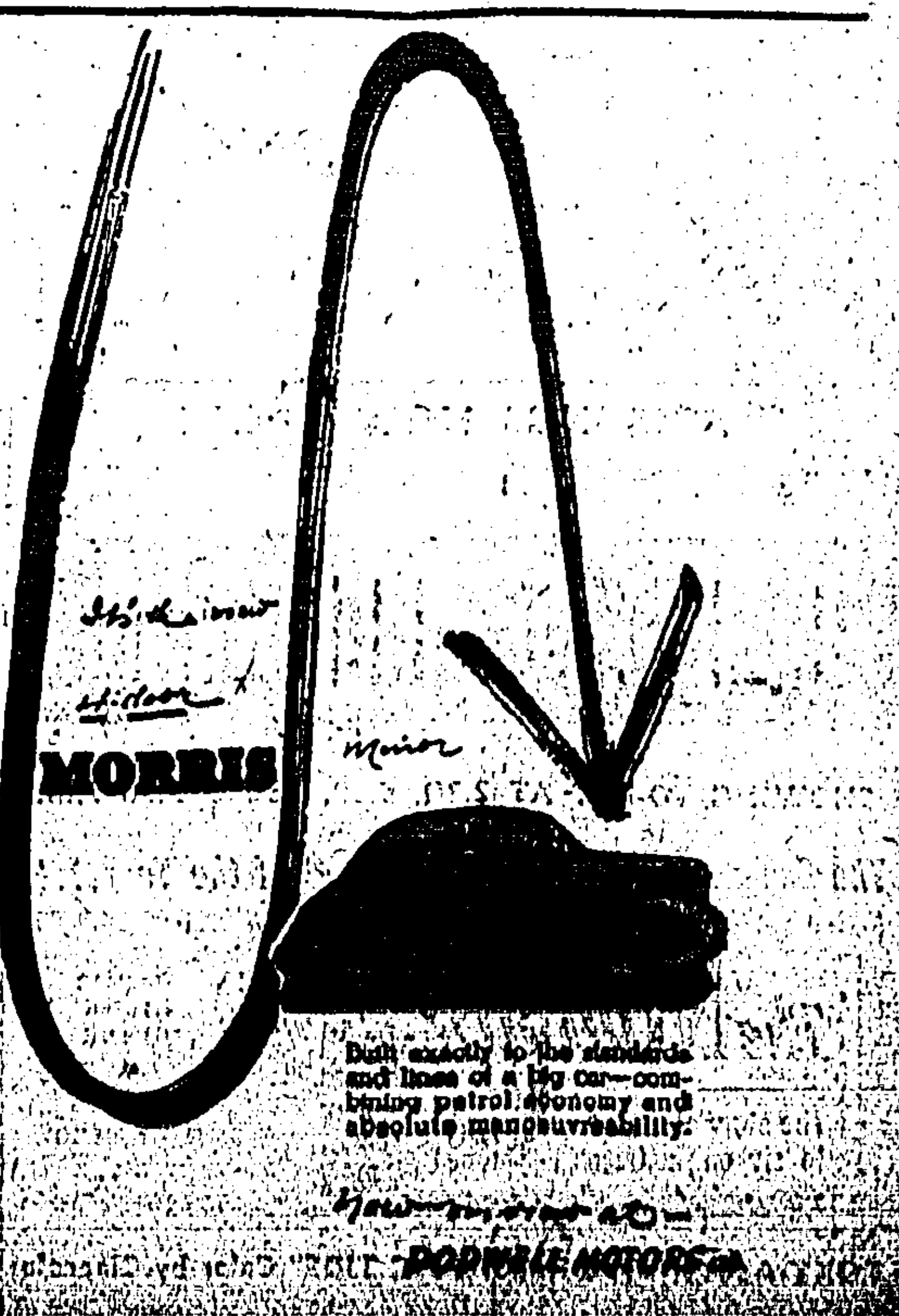
the head and the statement that nothing could be done about his application on the grounds that he was unable to produce a marriage certificate. The officer's decision probably was perfectly correct, but surely the applicant was entitled to a little fuller explanation. And why should a person have to suffer continual misdirecting in a department which, on its own showing, has to be confined to two floors? There should be some method of seeing that an applicant for, say, a re-entry permit, is directed to the proper counter immediately without forcing him to make futile journeys between floors. When a department is harassed through lack of accommodation and staff it is even more essential that it should work to a system that will help to expedite its complicated operations. One would expect a busy department to concentrate on this as much in its own interests as those of the public it serves.

Time To Cut The Cackle

THE whirlwind of empty talk and cross-talk between deputies of the Big Four at the Palais Rose in Paris has entered upon a sixth week of futility, if we are to judge progress by Mr. Gromyko's tactics. So little has been gained hitherto that the question which poses itself most frequently is concerned less with the outlook for agreement than with whether or not Russia has any serious intention of meeting the West half-way. And the logical answer, based on the daily offering, is plainly in the negative. Against the vital problems: awaiting solution, the struggles of the West against Soviet obduracy have suggested an attempt to undermine Mount Everest with an ice-pick. Real and practical concessions are expected of the Russians before an amicable compromise can emerge and without pressure that is unlikely. Why, then, are the Russians spending all this time in Paris if they are not anxious to reach a general settlement? The answer

appears to be that they have much to gain and nothing to lose. Today the Western Powers control roughly seven-tenths of Germany and her population. Russia occupies only three-tenths. If, therefore, Russia by wearing the West down can secure that Germany is weak and unarmed, she has scored an important victory. The danger, in short, is of the West permitting itself to be out-manoeuvred. In that connection, too much stress has been made of differences of emphasis in approach to items suggested for the Foreign Ministers' agenda. Do those elements, naturally angled according to conflicting wishes, matter so much? It is difficult to believe. Should high level talks eventuate, the Foreign Ministers are most unlikely to keep strictly to any formula devised at the Palais Rose. The time has come, in fact, for a showdown. Gromyko should be challenged on whether he is prepared for a collapse of negotiations. If he is not, let him

down to bed.



Here, There & Everywhere

RAYBURN AGAIN

Washington, Apr. 9. Mr Sam Rayburn, Speaker of the House of Representatives, said at a Press conference today that the Soviet Union is building up troop concentrations "in lots of places."

He added: "We are in terrible danger."

Of the troop concentrations, Mr Rayburn added: "Just where this is being done is a little beyond my field, but I have it on good authority—the best authority."

Mr Rayburn had been conferring with President Truman.

The Speaker had told the House of Representatives last week that not all the troops gathered in Manchuria were Chinese Communists. He did not identify the others.

He also said then that the United States was threatened by a "terrible danger" which might bring on another world war.

Mr Rayburn's remarks last week were made during a debate on a Conscription Bill. The inference was drawn that he meant that the Soviet Union was concentrating troops in Manchuria.

At the White House today, a reporter told him that some people seemed to think that he made the statement in an effort to obtain the passage of the Bill.

"That is a mighty low estimate to put on something I said," Mr Rayburn replied. "That statement was meant in the best interest of the United States. I know we are in terrible danger because the Russians are concentrating here and there and everywhere."

Mr Rayburn was at the White House for President Truman's regular Monday morning conference with Democratic leaders. — Reuter.

Questions On MacArthur Held Over

London, Apr. 9. Questions to the Foreign Secretary, Mr Herbert Morrison, some critical of General Douglas MacArthur, and others seeking a new statement on Korea, were postponed at question time in the House of Commons today.

The questions were being asked by Labour Members and were not reached in the hour which is daily allotted to queries of this kind.

The questions covered the establishment of "more satisfactory machinery for communications between the United Nations Organisation and the Supreme Commander of the United Nations forces in Tokyo," a fresh statement of the aims of the United Nations in Korea, and discussions to secure a "more effective control of the Supreme Commander of the United Nations forces in Tokyo." — Reuter.

WHEAT BILL PROSPECTS

Washington, Apr. 9. The Speaker of the House of Representatives, Mr Sam Rayburn, said today that Administration leaders would make an effort this week to have the Wheat for India Bill brought to the House floor from the Rules Committee.

It has been held up in Committee since early March. The Bill was approved by the Foreign Affairs Committee but has been pigeon-holed for the time being by the Rules Committee.

The Rules Committee has the major voice in determining what measures are put to House members of the group were unsympathetic to the Bill.

Mr Rayburn, talking to reporters, did not say what steps were planned to bring the Bill from the Rules Committee. — Reuter.

A Unique Ceremony



RE Airborne Squadron Honoured By The King

A unique ceremony was carried out at Malta Barracks, Aldershot, on March 29 when a scroll was presented on behalf of the King to the 9th Independent Airborne Squadron, Royal Engineers. The Squadron has no colours and so, probably for the first time in the history of the Army, battle honours were perpetuated in this form.

The commemorative scroll (as shown in the picture) was presented by Lieut-Gen. Sir Frederick A.M. Browning, KBE, CB, DSO, to Major I.H. Lyall-Grant MC, RE, commanding the Squadron.

The scroll commemorates the successful operation in Sicily on 9-10 July 1943 when, as part of the 1st Air Landing Brigade, the 8th Field Company R.E. (Airborne) saved two canal bridges at the southern approaches of Syracuse, Sicily.

With the 1st Border Regiment, 2nd Bn. South Staffordshire Regiment and the 1st Glider Pilot Regiment, the Engineers landed near Syracuse by glider to hold the bridges intact ahead of the Eighth Army's advance. Owing to dispersal of the gliders, only a few men arrived at the objective, but they removed the demolition charges and held the bridges against attack for the major part of the day.

In the afternoon, ammunition ran out and the party had to surrender, but their purpose was achieved, for at 1700 hours the Eighth Army arrived, overcame all resistance and swept across the canal.

The 9th Independent Airborne Squadron has a long history, and it can claim direct descent from the Soldier Artillery Company formed at Gibraltar in 1772. Out of this unit grew the Corps of Royal Engineers, as it has been called since 1856.

AT DUNKIRK The Squadron was at Dunkirk in 1940. During the withdrawal to the French port, it had its fill of the demolitions and other sapper tasks normal to such an operation, including a spell of employment as infantry. Indeed, they even relieved the exhausted gunners of a 6" howitzer battery and served the guns during one hectic night. It also fought with distinction at Arras. On VE Day it was ordered to Norway to accept the surrender of 400,000 Germans there, and later saw service in Palestine and Germany.

Representing the Chief Royal Engineer at the presentation ceremony was Lt.-General Sir Charles J.S. King, KBE, CB, and among the spectators were Lt.-General Sir Clifford G. D. Marshall, Lt.-General Sir Kenneth N. Crawford, and Major-General A.D. Campbell, W.A. Dimoline, Sir Guy de C. Glover and G.W. Lambury.

When it is announced, the Admiral will himself name his deputy for his new Command. Admiral Sir Richard Symonds-Taylor, British Naval Commander-in-Chief of the West Indies Station, is expected by informed observers to be nominated. — Reuter.

PERON WINS

Buenos Aires, Apr. 9. The Congress Committee today recommended appropriation of the newspaper La Prensa. — United Press.

Eager To Send Britain Meat

Buenos Aires, Apr. 9. Argentine may resume meat shipments to Britain without waiting for the final drafting of an agreement. Quarters in close touch with the British Mission here said today that once Argentine felt her meat "important" requirements had been met, she might agree to resume shipments right away.

A spokesman close to the Mission said yesterday that the talks were expected to last for another week, but the Argentine Government might resume meat shipments before then as a gesture of goodwill.

Argentina has been sending meat shipments to the United States since the war, but has not resumed shipments to Britain.

Another Bad Day At Big Four Conference: More Red Propaganda

Paris, Apr. 9. The Foreign Ministers' deputies today entered the sixth week of their search for an agreed agenda for "Big Four" talks with a three-hour meeting described by a Western delegate as "sterile."

The session was the 26th. The Western delegate summed it up as a "bad day," saying that no progress had been made.

With neither side putting forward new proposals, today's discussions centred again on the question of the reduction of armaments.

The French deputy, M. Alexandre Parodi, said that the agenda should be drawn up in a logical order. The Russian delegation did not seem to accept this idea.

M. Parodi repeated the Western viewpoint that it was far more logical to discuss first level of armaments and then tackle the question of a reduction.

When his turn came Mr Andrei Gromyko (Russia) spoke at great length. "A Great deal of his speech was propaganda," one Western spokesman said.

Mr Gromyko remarked that the deputies had found a "common language" on a number of points. But if his delegation accepted the Western proposal that the level of armaments should be discussed before reduction it would free the hands of the Western Powers to a still greater extent to pursue their armaments race and remilitarise Germany.

IN FULL SWING

The Western deputies were not leading the Soviet Union in the direction of a reduction of armaments but in an opposite direction, Mr Gromyko said.

He stressed again that he wanted the North Atlantic Treaty and American bases overseas to appear in the agenda.

Mr Gromyko claimed that an armaments race was in full swing in the West.

"Take any American newspaper covering business life and you will find statements that the end of the armaments race would create grave economic difficulties for American business," Mr Gromyko said, according to one Western delegate.

He added that he challenged "absolutely" the moral and political right of Dr Adenauer to sign the Schuman Plan for Germany. The Chancellor had no authorisation from the Bundestag and had not seen him (Schuman) since early February, he said. — Reuter.

BRITAIN'S VIEW

Mr Ernest Davies (Britain) said—he was forced to ignore most of Mr Gromyko's speech which was largely propaganda.

He repeated that the Western Powers wanted arms reduction and preferred to lead more of their national income on useful tasks. He thought the Soviet Union took a similar attitude, but the Western Powers could not accept Russian agenda proposals prejudging the decisions of the Ministers.

Dr Philip Jessup (United States) said that Mr Gromyko had once again given his customary oratorical exercise which had to be discounted.

Mr Gromyko's speech was an attempt to analyse a free Press and a free society. Possibly, Mr Gromyko misunderstood these because he had no experience of them, Dr Jessup remarked.

The statement made by Mr Gromyko accused the Western Powers of committing sins which the Soviet Government knew full well it had committed itself, Dr Jessup added. — Reuter.

Princess Lotus

Lausanne, Apr. 9. The Princess born to the King and Queen of Siam here last week has been named Ubol Ratana, or "Lotus of Precious Stones."

Under the Buddhist religion, the name was chosen after careful study of the horoscope, the time, the latitude and longitude of the place of birth.

The Princess is the first child of King Phumphon and Queen Sirikit. — Associated Press.

Anglo-U.S. Conversations On Persia

Washington's Mind Not Made Up

Washington, Apr. 9. The United States has no fixed position on the subject of nationalisation of Persia's oil resources.

This was stated here today by Mr Michael McDermott, State Department spokesman, shortly before the start of British-American talks on the subject.

Referring to a published report here, Mr McDermott said that it was going too far to say that the United States would urge Britain to accept Persian nationalisation of the industry and to concentrate on working out plans for its operation under Persian control.

The meetings with the British are an entirely informal and exploratory exchange of view, he said.

"The United States position remains as stated by the Secretary of State, Mr Dean Acheson, several weeks ago."

"The United States hopes an agreement satisfactory to both Persia and the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company will be worked out which will protect the interest of both parties and ensure a continued flow of oil to its usual markets," Mr McDermott said.

The Anglo-American talks begin tonight between Sir Oliver Franks, the British Ambassador, Mr George McGhee, American Assistant Secretary of State for Middle Eastern Affairs, and oil experts and officials of the two countries.

The talks may continue for several days. — Reuter.

VIEWS EXCHANGED

Washington, Apr. 9. An Anglo-American conference on Iranian oil problems opened today in which an exchange of views took place, according to an official communiqué.

The announcement was issued by the State Department at the end of the first day's meeting and expressed the earnest hope of the two Governments that co-operation with Iran would continue. It emphasised the importance of Iranian oil to the economy of the free world. The text of the statement is as follows:

The opening exchange of views between the British Ambassador and the State Department has taken place in a cordial atmosphere. These talks were informal and exploratory and dealt in a positive and constructive way with matters of mutual interest between the British and United States Governments relating to Iran.

The British and United States Governments have many times demonstrated their concern with the stability of Iran and well-being of the Iranian people. Both Governments, for instance, in May 1950 declared their interest in the continued political independence and territorial integrity of Iran and they have both given proof of their willingness to provide Iran with technical and material assistance.

It is the earnest hope of the British and United States Governments that this mutual co-operation will be maintained and developed with advantage to the peoples of all three countries. Iran's oil has played a vital part in world trade and in meeting the requirements of many countries of the free world. Its importance to Iran, to the United Kingdom and to the economy of the free world generally is of course great. Hence the two Governments, while recognising that questions in relation to Iranian oil must be settled elsewhere, have deemed it advisable to exchange views informally. Further exchanges of view will take place. — United Press.

No Swedish Troops For Korea

Stockholm, Apr. 9. Sweden will not send any troops to Korea, at least not this year, the Defence Department announced today. — United Press.

Auriol Flies Home

Montreal, Apr. 9. President and Madame Vincent Auriol, of France, left here by plane for home today after their visit to the United States and Canada. — Reuter.

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MR. NEHRU'S FORMULA: FRIENDLINESS BUT NO APPEASEMENT

British Protest Possible

New York, Apr. 9. The possibility of a British Government protest to the United States over General Douglas MacArthur's recent statement on Korea was suggested by the New York Herald Tribune today.

In an editorial, the Herald Tribune said: "The prospect of a formal British protest to Washington over General MacArthur's latest utterances brings into the open a situation which has long been sapping the foundations of any attempt to form a workable coalition against Communist aggression."

"It is typical of the curious atmosphere which has surrounded the whole Korean affair, however, that the British objections should be levelled against the proposal to use Chinese Nationalist troops against the Mao regime—a matter which at most is a corollary of General MacArthur's main thesis, and around which a great many confusions have arisen in this country as well as abroad."

"The entry of Nationalist China into the present fighting would mean an extension, not a contraction, of the present American responsibilities. It cannot be considered as a casual phase of the Korean war but as a part of the total conflict in the Far East."

"Since the latter is, unhappily, a distinct possibility, the United States cannot adopt the Maitlandish attitude of the British, in merely hoping that something will turn up."

"It must take into account all the forces that may come into play should the war be extended."

"On the other hand, so long as America holds to the policy of limited warfare in Korea, it should state that policy clearly and firmly, allowing neither diplomats nor generals to obscure it," the paper added.—Reuter.

Malta Club Gesture To Princess

Valetta, Apr. 9. Malta Polo Club this afternoon staged "Operation Polo Lament" as a farewell to Princess Elizabeth.

At the end of the last chukka two squadrons of mounted polo players escorted the Princess and the Duke of Edinburgh, who was at the wheel of their own coupe, half a mile across the ground to the public thoroughfare.

The squadrons were under the command of the General Officer Commanding troops, Major-General G. W. E. Heath, and the Flag Officer, Destroyers, Vice-Admiral P. B. William Powlett.

As the Duke drove off the squadrons raised their polo sticks and cheered.—Associated Press.

New York, Apr. 9. The Prime Minister of India, Mr. Jawaharlal Nehru, told a United States editor that he favoured firmness tempered with friendliness but no appeasement of evil as a basis for approaches to settle international disputes.

His views were set out in recorded "reflective" conversations with Mr. Norman Cousins, editor of the "Saturday Review of Literature," when the latter was recently visiting New Delhi.

Israeli Air Raid On Border

Damascus, Apr. 9. Foreign correspondents allowed to visit the area of the Syrian-Israeli dispute at Hama and Hama today found the Israeli Air Force had dropped 72 bombs — 500 and 250 pounders.

Also allowed to visit the disputed region were foreign military observers although Israel refused to allow her foreign counterparts the same privileges.

The bombs were dropped from a low altitude because of the absence of anti-aircraft artillery, but no casualties were reported except for one woman and one child at Hama village. Two military tents were burned at the Syrian Army post at Hama and a military ambulance destroyed.

The incident followed a protest by Syria to the joint Syrian-Israeli Armistice Commission against Israel's drainage works at Houleh Lake, which constitutes part of the natural barrier between Israel and Syria and is a present part of the demilitarized zone where neither of the two parties is allowed to achieve any gain or make any sacrifice.

A U.N. General Assembly memo dated March 5 ordered the immediate cessation of these works but Israel rejected this memorandum completely.—Associated Press.

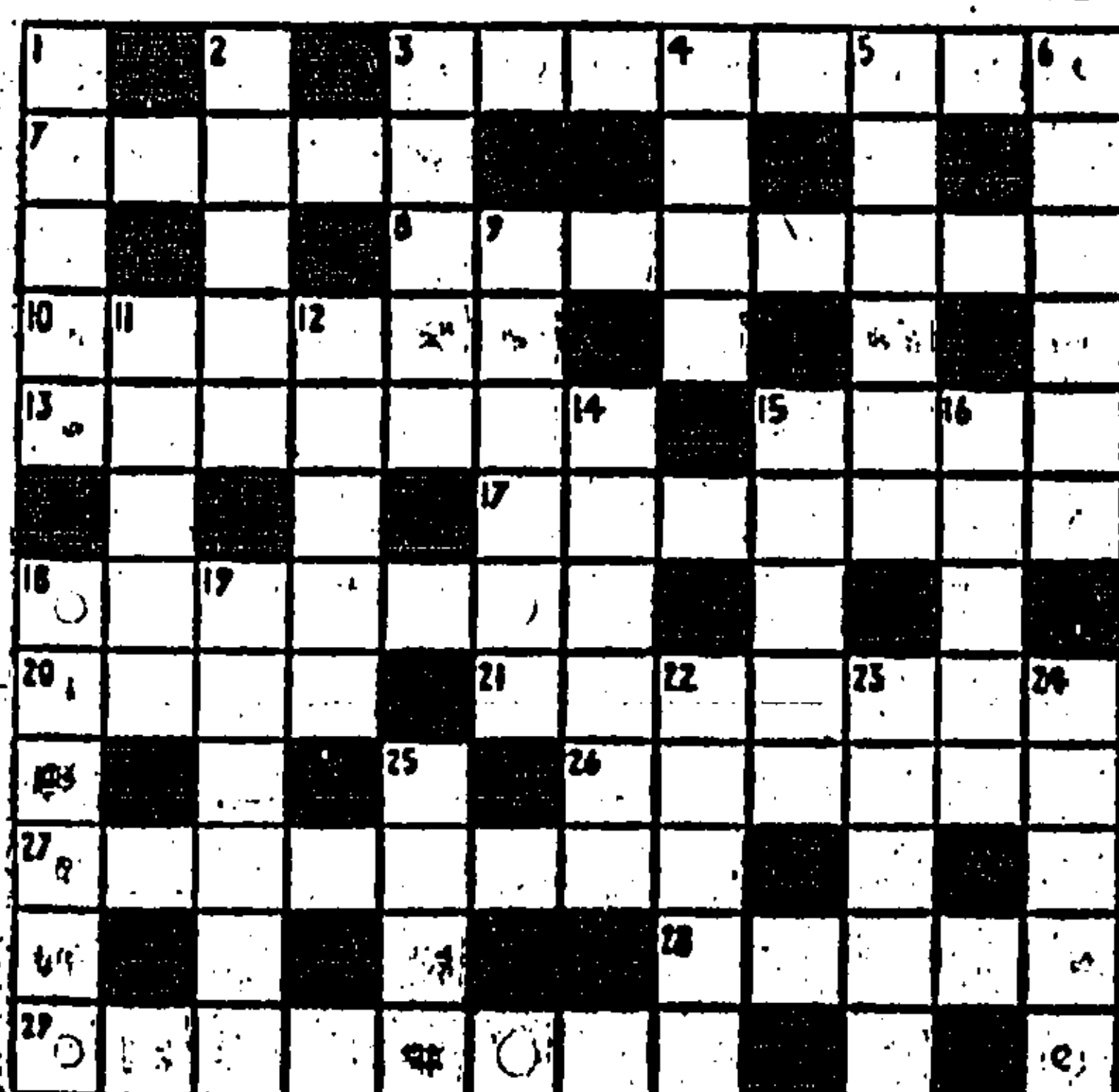
Accusation Ignored

Rome, Apr. 9. Italy will probably not even reply to an Albanian protest that Italian planes have violated Albanian territory, a Foreign Ministry spokesman said tonight.

He described the protest, handed to the Italian Minister at Tirana as just another of the periodical Albanian propaganda statements.

The complaint, he declared, is untrue. The spokesman understood that other Albanian protests were made against Yugoslavia and Greece, and added: "We attach no importance to them."—Associated Press.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS
3. Misshapen.
7. Ship.
8. Recommendation.
10. Calumniate.
13. Exalt.
16. Little drink.
17. State.
18. Accurate.
20. Strikes with fear.
21. Violent hurricane.
23. Jacket.
27. Plays.
28. Concise.
29. Subterranean cells.

DOWN
1. Dashing follow.
2. Cutting instrument.
4. Stage play.
5. Musical instrument.
6. Poem.
9. Reviews.
11. Spot.
12. Joint.
14. Asserts.
15. Obtain by force.
16. Idler.
18. Apart.
19. Frank.
22. Reposes.
23. Glasses.
24. Syrian.
25. Book.

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD: Across: 1. Buried; 3. Abuse; 5. Mince; 8. Detail; 10. Close; 11. Help; 12. Grip; 13. Damage; 15. Remedy; 16. Expose; 18. Dams; 19. Shoot; 21. Fuel; 22. Close; 23. Tons; 24. Star; 25. Unite; 26. Dealer; 27. Down; 28. Picked; 29. Retains; 30. Hunt; 31. Deceit; 32. Abuses; 33. Bailed; 34. Retains; 35. Struck; 36. Gave; 37. Bailed; 38. Retains; 39. Struck; 40. Gave; 41. Bailed; 42. Retains; 43. Struck; 44. Gave; 45. Bailed; 46. Retains; 47. Struck; 48. Gave; 49. Bailed; 50. Retains; 51. Struck; 52. Gave; 53. Bailed; 54. Retains; 55. Struck; 56. Gave; 57. Bailed; 58. Retains; 59. Struck; 60. Gave; 61. Bailed; 62. Retains; 63. Struck; 64. Gave; 65. Bailed; 66. Retains; 67. Struck; 68. Gave; 69. Bailed; 70. Retains; 71. Struck; 72. Gave; 73. Bailed; 74. Retains; 75. Struck; 76. Gave; 77. Bailed; 78. Retains; 79. Struck; 80. Gave; 81. Bailed; 82. Retains; 83. Struck; 84. Gave; 85. Bailed; 86. Retains; 87. Struck; 88. Gave; 89. Bailed; 90. Retains; 91. Struck; 92. 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COMMONWEALTH SAILORS HELP SUFFERING KOREANS

THE cruisers and Triumph had been carrying out bombardments and aerial strikes. It was indeed a great day when on September 27 Rear-Admiral Andrews was invited by Admiral Struble, U.S.N., to Inchon. He had at that time just returned to a base in Japan, but set off immediately by destroyer.

On arrival Admiral Struble came on board and on behalf of General MacArthur awarded him the "Silver Star". This award was most gratifying as it showed the American appreciation of the part played by the British Commonwealth Navies. Admiral Andrews then accompanied Admiral Struble to the handing over ceremony at Seoul of civilian duties to the South Korean President.

As a result of the retreat of the North Korean forces it became evident that many of the islands on the west and south-west coasts of Korea would need early liberating. The destroyers and frigates carried out the majority of these missions.

The Australian destroyer Warramunga (Commander O.H. Becher, D.S.C., R.A.N.) in September carried out one of the most successful. Not a gun was fired, though the ship was at action stations all the time. Instead, Warramunga sent ashore rice in place of shells to feed hundreds of South Korean islanders and several lighthouse-keepers who were marooned by the war on their islands.

Food Landed

THE plight of the islanders was discovered by HMCS Cayuga (Captain J. V. Brock, D.S.C., R.C.N.) and immediately small quantities of food were landed to feed the sick, the young and the old. Cayuga signalled back to base, and at once Rear-Admiral Andrews ordered the Warramunga to take on board two tons of rice to rush to the starving persons.

The islanders grow no rice; they depend on the mainland for their supplies. When the Communists moved south their food supplies were cut off and they were unable to fish because of the activity of British and American Naval and air patrols. Cayuga promptly established a fishing area for the islanders and signalled its position to the attacking anti-Communist forces.

When the Warramunga arrived the islanders led the beaches with a reception committee comprising the whole population, headed by the Mayor. The first bags of rice landed in Warramunga's boat were greeted with cries of delight by the children. The older men and women bowed over

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folded hands in the Korean style. Then the islanders sent out their fishing boats to take off the rest of the cargo, and the women prepared fires for the first real meal for many weeks. They boiled scrub to eat with the rice.

Afterwards Warramunga visited other islands in the group, distributing more rice and food. Her Captain signalled back to base: "We haven't enough rice to go round, please send more."

Orphans In Cold

A similar exploit was that carried out by HMS Ceylon (Captain C. F. J. Lloyd Davies, D.S.C., R.C.N.). The ship sent a landing party to reconnoitre a small island called Chaya-ku-Ko which lies off the Korean coast near Inchon. On the far side of this bare island the party found a hut, in which were twenty orphaned children under the care of one woman. The temperature was below freezing. There was no fire, the children were almost naked and very sick.

A message was sent back to the cruiser, and the Chaplain, the Rev. H. S. Fry, M.A., R.N., broadcast an appeal to the ship's company for gifts of surplus clothing. Within an hour his cabin was piled with offerings of shirts, coats and woollens. There were eager volunteers to man the next boat ashore, and it was noticed that men who

went with it were bulging with parcels. Two "mercy" boats were landed with food and clothing, a medical officer, Surgeon-Lieutenant H. E. G. Dyer, R.N., and the Chaplain.

A working party landed with axes and saws, and felled enough firewood to last the winter. Others lit and stoked a fire until the Chaplain protested that with the Korean flue system, which goes out under the floor, the hut was in danger of going up in flames.

Meanwhile, stores of food were unloaded and clothing was unwrapped for the goggle-eyed children. Sailors stripped the rags from the children and redressed them in thick clothing. Said the Chaplain: "They were themselves like children dressing dolls. It was at once humorous and pathetic, and when they had finished, in spite of the care taken to ensure that all naval insignia was removed, one Korean urchin started about in the blouse of a three-badged Able Seaman. To anyone who asked him his name he stuttered 'S-S-Stripy'."

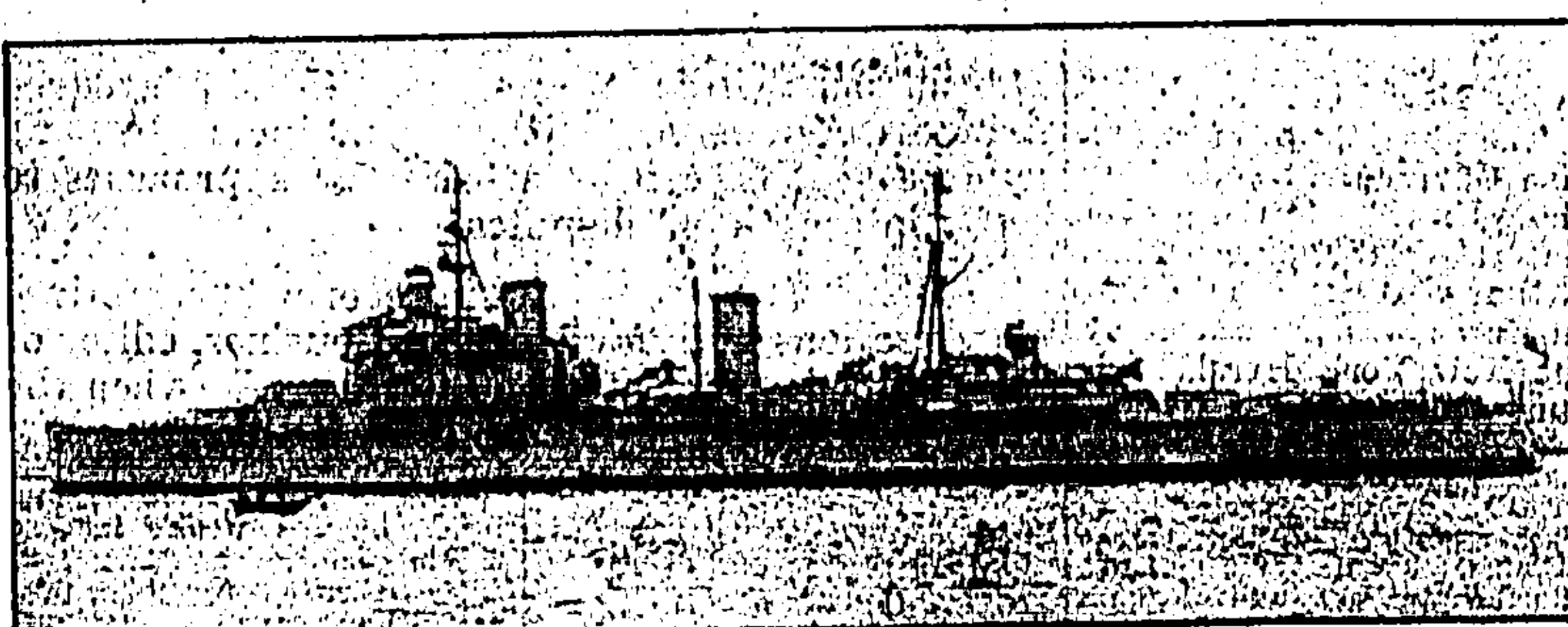
Knelt On Floor

THE sailors then produced their parcels and handed out not only sweets, but clockwork toys which they had bought in Japan for their own families at home. They knelt on the floor and wound up walking begging dogs and shambling bears, and the place resounded to the laughter of British sailors and Korean children.

A special Royal Marine Independent Commando was sent out to Japan early in the war. The Royal Marine Commandos are picked men from the Corps, and carry out a period of special training. When not attached to the Commandos, they serve in ships of the Royal Navy. These troops are specially trained to raid on enemy communications behind the front line.

Suitable targets were few, but they carried out a number of raids, operating from ships of the United Nations. When the Inchon invasion took place they carried out a diversionary landing at Kusan from the British frigate Whiteside Bay alongside American special troops.

Perhaps one of their toughest fights took place when they fought their way from Hamhung up the tortuous mountain road to Jolji, the American Marine division Hagaru. The Commando, under Lieutenant-Colonel



HMS JAMAICA, the first British warship to enter Korean waters after hostilities broke out. She has had an interesting period of combat duty.

D. P. Drysdale, M.B.E., Royal Marines, fought its way with American troops through the mountainous passes, and at one time had Chinese Communists firing into the vehicles from the side of the road. It was here that the Commando was split, their rear party being cut off when a phosphorus bomb set fire to an ammunition truck. This made it impossible for the following vehicles to continue up the road.

A part of this story is told by one of the wounded, Marine James A. Stanley, of West Bromwich, Staffs: "The early North American covered wagon stories had nothing on this conveyer," Stanley said. "Nothing as bad as this ever happened to me before," and he added that Lieutenant-Colonel Drysdale had told him the conveyer was the worst experience he had had in his career.

From Hamhung

COLONEL Drysdale served with the Commandos during the World War. Marine Stanley was then serving with small operations groups and was engaged in operations from submarines at Arakan, Burma, Nicobar Islands, Sumatra, Malaya and Singapore.

Stanley went on to say: "A few hours after we started from Hamhung for Hagaru, Lieutenant-Colonel Drysdale's jeep was fired on by Communists but no one was injured. The jeep was well ahead of the main body at the time. We were told that

there was an ambush ahead and we were put into combat. We dug in until daylight, expecting an attack. Then we were told to clear the hills of guerrillas. We changed our socks for spare socks which we kept inside our clothing, and we shook out the ice from our boots before putting them on again. I've been in Iceland, Norway and Russia, but I had never known cold like that night."

Hill Taken

THEN we took the first hill, losing two men wounded by sniping. The U.S. Marines went through us to the second hill. Soon afterwards tanks of the American 7th U.S. Marines came up and it was decided to push the conveyer through the road behind them. The conveyer was composed of reinforcements for the 7th U.S. Marines, some U.S. Army and ourselves. We were 230 strong, being driven in American trucks, having left our drivers behind to pick up our transport when it arrived. "We started off about noon, and it was pretty quiet for the first two miles. Then the Communists gave us all they had got. They were using burp guns and machine-guns. They were in the ditches alongside the road, sometimes only six yards away. The jeep in front of us had three drivers killed in one burst. They hit the ammunition truck with a phosphorus bomb and set it on fire. This cut off the rest of the Commando trucks which were behind it."

"I was in the one just ahead of the ammunition truck, and we kept going until we joined the 7th U.S. Marines at Hagaru at 11 p.m. We were mustered and there were 83 of us present. That night 55 more commandos fought their way through and reached us. The Communists were in the hills all around our camp at Hagaru. We rested a while and prepared to attack in the morning."

Dozens Of Dead

"ONLY sniping took place the next day, but at about 11 p.m. the U.S. Marines on the left flank, on a hill near the camp entrance, were pushed back. The 32 of us in 'B' Company were sent up to retake the left flank of the hill, and we did it just before dawn. I saw dozens of dead Communists from where we were; they must have been thousands round the defence perimeter."

Two mornings later Stanley was wounded in the arm by a sniper. Let us now sum up the part of the British Commonwealth Navies in the Korean operations

during the 14 days covering the Inchon landings, and the subsequent operations up to September 30. During this period the Commonwealth Navies steamed 55,456 miles, and the carrier-based aircraft of HMS Triumph made 112 sorties over an area of 251,000 square miles.

The guns of the force poured 2,600 six-inch shells, 1,274 smaller calibre shells and 215,000 rounds of Oerlikon and Bofors into enemy gun emplacements, concentrations, tanks, island strongholds and shipping. The bag included the first enemy aircraft to be shot down by gunfire from any United Nations warship, one ammunition dump blown up and two damaged, 11 junks sunk, two damaged, two 50-ton coasters, one 100-ton coaster and one 70-ton coaster sunk, a 500-ton freighter damaged, and twelve mines destroyed. A number of enemy troops were killed and wounded.

HMS Jamaica had the honour of shooting down the enemy Stormovik aircraft which attacked the USS Rochester.

HMS Triumph was withdrawn the next day from the area, and Admiral Andrews asked for C.A.P. for the blockading force from the American carrier. In his reply agreeing to this Rear-Admiral Even said: "After considering Jamaica's splendid demonstration of A.A. marksmanship, I am warning my pilots to turn to their left and cover your force from a doubly safe distance."

Ship's Record

HMS Jamaica had an interesting period of combat duty, which included the following points:

Jamaica was the first British warship to enter Korean waters. The first British warship to be in action when enemy E-boats were sunk. The first British warship to bombard, and this was in the first bombardment of the war. The first warship to penetrate the Iron Curtain, when she proceeded to bombard Yangyang in North Korea.

The first British ship to command a combined force of U.S. and British ships. The first ship to suffer casualties in the war. The first ship, with HMS Cockade in company, to sight and sink mines. She took part in the first large-scale amphibious landing at Inchon. She was the first United Nations ship to shoot down an enemy aircraft.

(TO BE CONCLUDED TOMORROW)



THE ACTION of the TV microscope is from right to left. A TV scanner projects a beam of light through an ordinary microscope which holds a specimen to be magnified. The beam of light is caught by the magic eye (photo-electric cell), amplified, and shown magnified up to 25,000 times on the TV screen.

TV MICROSCOPE SEES 25,000 TIMES LARGER THAN LIFE

The CHAPMAN PINCHER Column

DR. FRANK ROBERTS, brilliant 36-year-old scientist, demonstrated to me the world's first "television microscope," his own invention.

This device—half microscope, half TV set—can magnify living tissues up to 25,000 times.

The ordinary microscope cannot magnify more than 5,000 times. The more powerful electron-microscope can work only with dead tissues.

Dr. Roberts, Edinburgh-born electronics engineer, got the idea for the invention while sitting on the top deck of a London bus.

Backed by the Nuffield Trust—the invention has cost about £1,000 so far—he converted the idea into a working machine in less than six months.

I saw the TV microscope in action in Dr. Roberts' fourth-floor laboratory at University College, W.C.1.

Magic Eye

First he clipped a glass slide smeared with a drop of my blood under an ordinary microscope positioned in front of a "magic eye" device highly sensitive to light.

The "magic eye" was linked by wires to a panel of controls

Then Dr. Roberts doused the laboratory lights and pressed a switch. Immediately a highly magnified picture of my blood, showing the red and white blood cells in fine detail, flashed on to the screen.

When fitted with an extra gadget, the TV microscope will also be able to count minute objects like blood cells, measure them, and record exactly how many of each kind there are on a slide. This has never been possible before.

The first big job scheduled for the new invention is to count

and sort out the total number of cells in the human brain.

Dr. Roberts' chief—Professor J. Z. Young, the famous brain expert who gave the 1950 Reith lectures—needs this information for his research.

It was the professor's suggestion that some kind of electronic machine might solve this problem which set Dr. Roberts thinking during his bus ride. "There are so many cells in the human brain—Professor Young estimates the number at 10,000 million—that no man peering through an ordinary microscope could live long enough to count them."

The TV microscope will be able to do the job in a few hours.

The finished model now being built will project a magnified picture on to a screen three feet square.

Cell Growth

Doctors using it will be able to watch the exact behaviour of living tissue germs when being attacked by chemicals—an advance which should speed the discovery of new drugs.

They will be able to watch living blood-cells coming through the vessels in a definite way never possible before. They should be able to compare the beautifully controlled growth of healthy tissue with the chaotic development of cancer cells, and perhaps discover some of the unknown differences.

Professor Young and Dr. Roberts have therefore revealed in the scientific journal "Nature" the details of the TV microscope, and what it is capable of doing.

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London Express Service.
Miss Edna Fitzgerald, 22-year-old London bus clipper, wears the first new orange-ribboned uniform for women conductors. The outfit also features a beret with badge and a smartly cut jacket with half-inch orange cuff-bands. A Griffin, the London Transport device, is embroidered in orange on each label. The uniform will be introduced in service as soon as manufacturing conditions allow.

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SHAPES SHAPES COOKING

OR TOAST THEM

ON EACH SIDE UNDER THE GRILL

THEY ALWAYS GO DOWN WELL

WITH A NICE SALAD.

Nail-Biting Is An Expression Of Nervous Stress

By H. N. BUNDESEN, M.D.

ONE of the surest ways of making a bad habit worse in a child is to upbraid him for it. To this rule, nail biting is no exception. Instead of worrying themselves and scolding the child, parents should try to remember that "easy does it."

Though common among older children and adults, nail biting does not occur in children under three years of age. It is frequently seen in children of three to six, but the maturing period is the true nail-biting age. Then almost half of all youngsters seem to develop the habit. At about age 16, it again becomes less frequent so that it is seen in only one out of five children. After age 18, nail biting is considered abnormal.

Continue the Habit

Nail biting often starts as a transfer from the thumb-sucking habit when the child reaches

the age when his parents begin to scold him for thumb-sucking. Many children continue the habit even though the parents make efforts to stop it, but they stop of their own accord when they are criticised by their friends. However, some other oral habit may then be substituted, such as pencil biting, gum chewing, lip biting, nose picking, or smoking.

If a great deal of ridicule is heaped upon the child for the nail-biting habit, the habit may really become severe.

There is no evidence that nail biting has any effect on the teeth. However, destruction of the margins of the nails and frequent attacks of infections around the nails may occur.

Periods of Stress

Studies show that persons bite their nails during periods of stress. The habit serves to relieve nervous stress or strain. There is no evidence that simple, mild nail biting is any indication that a person's nervous system is abnormal, nor is it related to the level of intelligence.

In cases of mild nail biting, no treatment is indicated. Overemphasis on the habit will make it worse instead of better. In severe nail biting, treatment should be directed toward finding the cause or the underlying emotional disturbance. In most cases, the only treatment required is more affection, understanding, and sympathy, with fewer demands made upon the child by the parents. Any punishment is to be condemned. Certain measures to remind the child of the habit, such as putting nail polish on the nails of the girl, and bandaging a finger or two of the boy, may have value.

Household Hint

It is important to wash a wax applicator and polisher immediately after using, before the wax has had a chance to harden. Remove the applicator from the handle and wash in warm soap-suds until the last trace of wax has disappeared. Rinse, shake, and hang dry.

Your Sewing Scrapbook

Wrapping Gifts With Fabrics—Novel and Thrifty

She makes work aprons for her sons of blue denim, stitched with red, then uses them to wrap the book or item of a hobby each son has wanted to buy for himself but shied not because of the budget.

She buys dish-towelling, dish-cloths, wash-cloths, and towels for her families and hems them all neatly and securely.

Nice New Dish-towel

She fills a needed mixing bowl full of cookies, wraps it in a new dish-towel, ties it with a length of twilled tape in bright red or blue, using enough tape to make strings for an apron or to finish some bibs for Junior.

She wraps a rubber bowl scraper in a gay dish-cloth and fastens it with plastic clothes pins, the very kind that are so welcome when hanging up nylon things to dry.

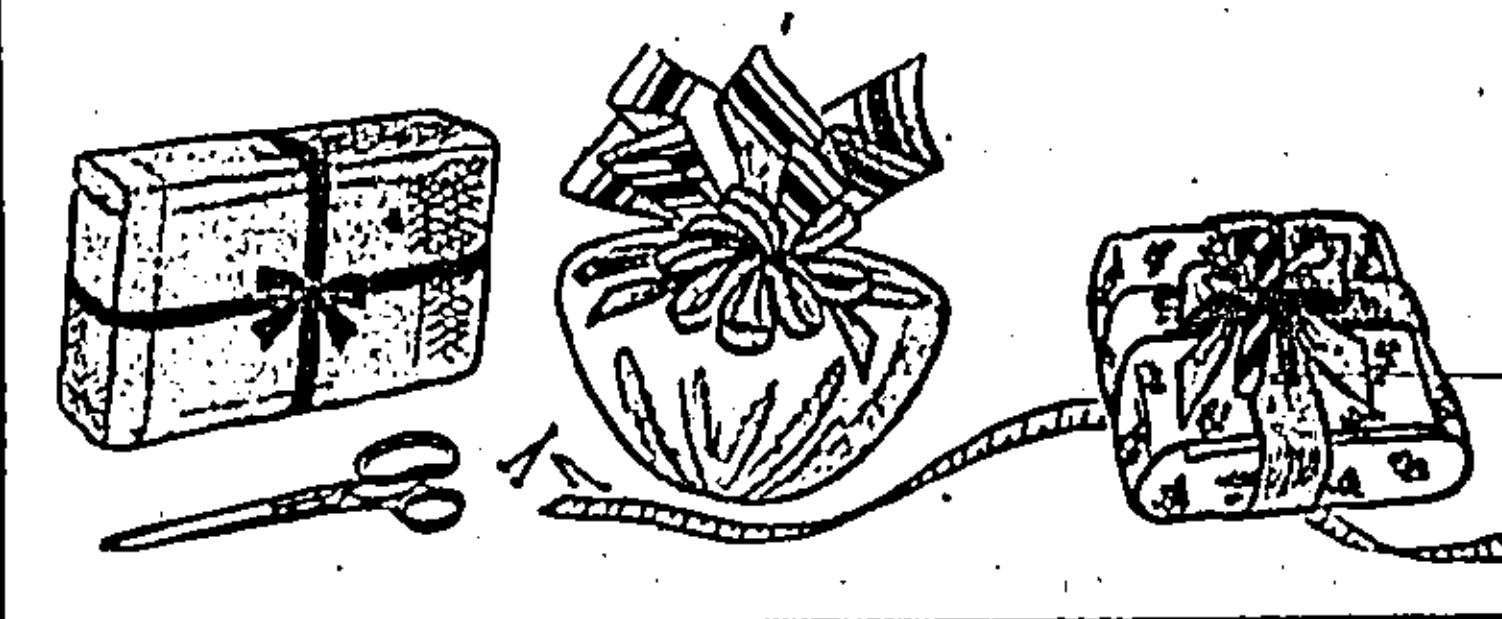
Bright-coloured Cheesecloth

My thrifty friend buys cheesecloth in bright colours, hems ends, and uses this instead of paper to wrap gifts. Her daughters-in-law later use this for dust cloths.

Glamour Wrappings

One of the prettiest packages I have seen was a box of stationery wrapped in red nylon velvet—enough to make a beautiful negligee.

Another wrapping was white plique—enough for a dress—with red cellophane over it and in side of it a pattern, thread, and buttons for a lovely go-South dress.



GARDEN TIP

An expert gardener said house plants need a good soaking when watered. You can't set rules on frequency. The best rule, he advised, is "when the dirt looks dry, give the plant good soaking. Use water at room temperature, and not that directly from the tap."

All plants need drainage. Otherwise, water in the bottom of the container starts the roots to deteriorating. An exception is in the growth of ivy, philodendron or other plants which will thrive in water, with addition of a little plant food. In this case, change the water every week.

He also said cactus needs gravel, sand and cinders added to the soil, or the roots will begin to rot within hours after watering.

Cactus also needs plenty of sunshine, although other tropical plants can take plenty of shade.—United Press.

BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

Pixie O'Scowl Was Composing

—And Pretty Soon He Sang a New Song—

By MAX TRELL

"YOU'd better not bother him just now," Pixie McSnooze warned Knarf and Handi, the shadow-children with the turned-about names. He pointed a finger over the garden wall. "He's on the other side. He's very busy, he's writing."

By "he," Pixie McSnooze meant his brother Pixie O'Scowl.

"Writing?" said Knarf. "Writing what?"

"I hear him humming," said Handi suddenly. "He can't be so very busy if he's humming."

Pixie McSnooze nodded. "Oh yes! Oh yes! The humming means he's busy!"

Sat Down Quietly

Knarf and Handi couldn't understand this at all. However,



there was no reason for disturbing Pixie McSnooze. So they sat down, quietly beside him, with their backs against the wall. Suddenly they heard Pixie O'Scowl's voice. He wasn't humming any more. He was distinctly singing.

Oh, the grass is green
And there's so much!
Hoopla-hey
Up and away!
The more I jump
The more I touch,
Hoopla-hey
And away!

Knarf and Handi both glanced at Pixie McSnooze in surprise. "That's one song done," said Pixie McSnooze.

Knarf and Handi, who were as puzzled as they could possibly be, now demanded that Pixie McSnooze tell them what his brother Pixie O'Scowl was writing on the other side of the garden wall, and why he was singing?

"Well, he didn't think everybody ought to know about it. But what's he writing are songs," explained Pixie McSnooze at last. "That's why he's singing."

"But Pixie O'Scowl doesn't ever sing songs," said Handi. "Why is he writing them?"

"He's writing them," said Pixie McSnooze, "for Grasshopper, Humblebee, Cricket and Sparrow."

And now Knarf and Handi began to understand. "Many songs," said Knarf. "Many songs," said Handi. "Many songs," said Knarf. "Many songs," said Handi.

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keep singing so many songs all summer long that they've finally used them all up. So they came to Brother O'Scowl and begged him to write them some new ones. He didn't want to do it, of course. He hates writing songs, especially because he never sings them himself. But they ended up by making him promise he would write a new song for each one of them. The song you just heard him singing is for Grasshopper.

Hardly had Pixie McSnooze finished speaking when Knarf and Handi heard Pixie O'Scowl singing a second song.

Cricket-cricket-cricket-cricket. In Autumn those sweet notes I sing, Cricket-cricket-cricket-cricket. In winter I... don't sing a thing!

Pixie McSnooze smiled. "That's the cricket song. He's made it up already! Listen!"

Fiddle hum

Here I come.

And the last song, the song for the Sparrow, came immediately after it.

Every bird Has a word, I have none but chirp-chirp!

Knarf and Handi sighed a sigh of relief. "Thank goodness," said Knarf. "That's written down."

DUMB-BELLS



JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Some Cards May Be Good as Aces

By OSWALD JACOBY

"WE missed a slam in this hand," confesses a New York City reader, "but we don't know where our mistake occurred. South didn't want to bid a slam with two losing hearts in his hand. North felt that he had shown his full strength by opening with a two-bid and then carrying on to four spades.

"Who was the culprit, and how should the hand be bid?" South was the culprit.

Let's make a very simple change in the South hand, by changing one of the low hearts to a low club. South would then have only a singleton heart. How would South then bid his hand?

South would then make a first response of two no-trumps, followed by a spade bid. North would raise to four spades, whereupon South should bid either five or six spades. I would bid six spades myself, and so would most good players, but a conservative player felt like bidding only five spades nobody would send him to jail.

The point is that the king of clubs and the queen of diamonds are as good as aces when North is bidding two no-trumps and South is bidding a spade. And when North can also raise spades, that suit should be considered a slam. It must be remembered that South's first two bids would be

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AKJ7			
AQJ96			
WEST			
Q5	72		
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SOUTH			
J10864			
J8			
Q108			
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North	East	South	West
2	3	2 N.T.	Pass
3	Pass	3	Pass
4	Pass	Pass	Pass
Opening lead—♥K			

the same if he had his spade length but had no high cards at all in clubs or diamonds.

Now, how far should South be because of the fact that he actually holds two low hearts instead of just a singleton? This fact should make a difference because 2.5 dollars to doughnuts that North has a singleton heart.

It is fairly general practice to indicate shortness in a suit by bidding the other three suits. The stronger the bidding, the more likely it becomes that the player has at most one card in the suit. In this case, North has two low hearts and then two diamonds and spades. It was almost unthinkable that he could have two losing hearts.

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CARD Sense

Q—With both sides vulnerable, the player at your left deals and bids one spade. Your partner bids two hearts. A-J-4-2. Diamonds A-6-3. Clubs K-Q-J-4-2. What do you do?

A—Bid three clubs. You have a fairly good hand and hope that the sound game contract can be reached. You can't raise hearts with only a doubton, but perhaps you can open the clubs and will make a strong rebid.

TODAY'S QUESTION

With neither side vulnerable, the player at your right deals and bids one spade. You are dealt: Hearts A-4-2. Diamonds A-J-4. Clubs K-Q-3. What do you do?

Answer tomorrow.

POCKET CARTOON



• BY • THE • WAY •

by Beachcomber

A PLEATED egg made of tinfoil, which expands at night, may be the answer to the search for a tinfoil egg capable of expanding at night.

"The pleats are merely decorative, and have no bearing on the main problem which is outside the scope of anything discussed hitherto," said Councilor Elbraham to a meeting of the local tradesmen yesterday.

The voice of Filthistan

HO. Beachcomber, we three hard of being brought to hear the change in the mood of Sunday fun hat the Festival of Britannia. We wood care to know how, if hour season is put him. The kaitigarry of the skurge of the Countinental Sunday which by hoping in the afternoon doth keep peepul from going to churches his the morning. We wood be willing to use a number of speckbul Sunday clothing, hand not to shout or broil as the season's away now hup now down. We wood play in ded silences hand without hour beards for wiskahs that me mite not haffend the religius once, has too being religius hony not for Chereh hoo England, has being Persian to the say, ho yes, hand good hoo it. How do you do, you have well we hope, so have we three dready phit thank you please.

We are, ho yes, Ashura, Kazbulah, Alkomupham, Almmitted.

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YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

TUESDAY, APRIL 10

If you are born today, you have tremendous adaptability. You know how to turn your talents to probable use in a number of fields. Your natural powers are great; make sure you use them properly.

You are an adroit organizer and know how to get others to work out your ideas. Since you have a great deal of energy, you are inclined to go out seeking excitement. You are likely to have a good singing voice. You could use it profitably if you wished, and be highly successful.

To find what the stars have in store for you, turn to the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11

ARRIS (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—Irrational actions of others may be upsetting but it is best if you can keep calm.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—Take care of duties and home and at the office. Reserve the evening, if you wish, for relaxation.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—Aspire to a recognition of your past efforts. You may attain your ambitions now.

CANCER (June 22-July 21)—This can be an evening for romance. Plan to spend the hours of recreation with a loved one.

LEO (July 22-Aug. 21)—Situations may be confused on the home front. Patience will help pave the way to a solution.

VIRGO (Aug. 22-Sept. 21)—A member of the fair sex may offer to help you. Accept assistance graciously if you need it.

LIBRA (Sept. 22-Oct. 21)—Avoid extravagance. Save the pennies and they will turn into dollars if you are thrifty.

SCORPIO (Oct. 22-Nov. 21)—Bring pleasure to someone you love. A bit of flowers, candy or a book could bring happiness.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)—A rival may be malicious, but if you are on your guard, you can avert complications.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 20)—Get out into the garden if you have the time. You will be favoured.

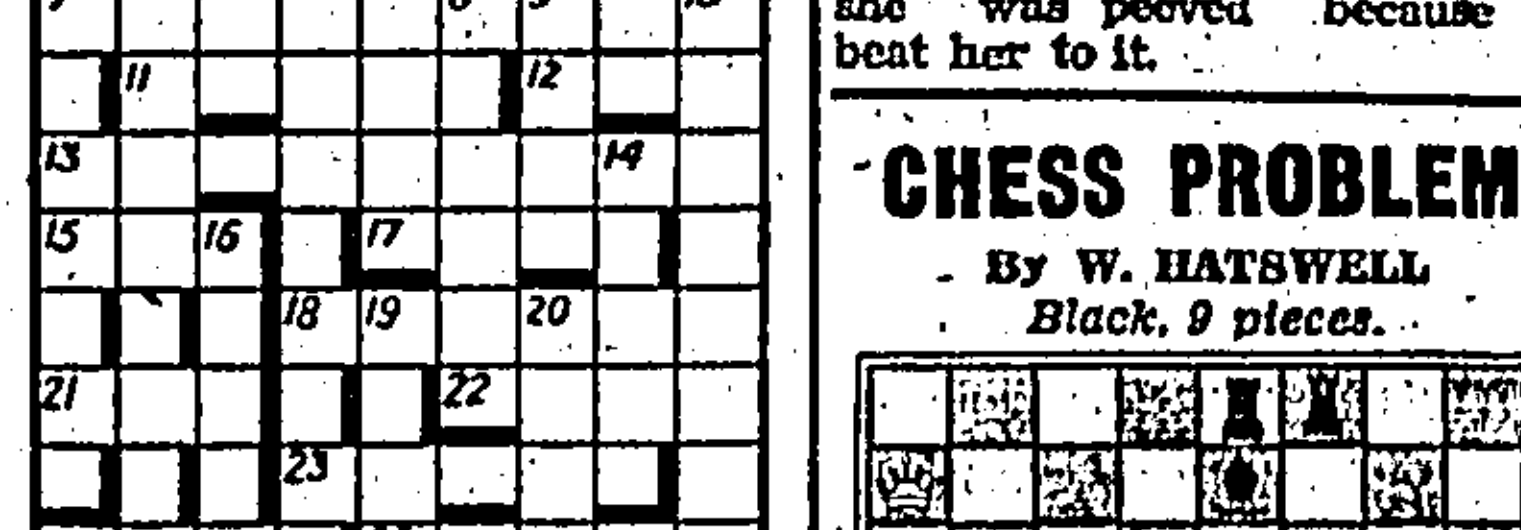
AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Perform a good deed. It will bring needed relaxation.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 21)—Music at home, the theatre, picture, or visiting a museum might be the right diversion to relax tensions.

Check Your Knowledge

1. What ocean lies directly south of Asia?
 2. Name the capital of the Bahamas Islands.
 3. What are isobars?
 4. What important part do earthworms perform in the scheme of nature?
 5. In what book do you find the character Nick Bottom?
 6. What is vanadium?
- (Answer on Page 10)

CROSSWORD



1. Just rascy, what a place to find shops. (9)
7. Taken by descent from: an ancestor. (5)
11. Two lines on the escutcheon. (5)
12. Found in one week-end ramble. (6)
13. Completely remakes a late robe. (9)
14. Taken from a single, engined motor. (5)
15. Driver's warning cry. (4)
16. A dream may be dangerous when it is. (6)
17. Carrier, but only when attached to a car. (4)
18. A tax on obedience? (4)
19. The release of a cook's gallery. (5)
20. A rare word. (4)
21. How a business man may have wished for a depot. (6)

Down

2. This shows a firm adherence. (8)
3. Here is the bridge. (9)
4. A word used to cooling people. (3)
5. You find his supplies near. (4)
6. Evidence to convince the mind. (6)
8. Wood, the very reverse. (2)
9. Turns out there's nothing in the drain. (5)
10. This word is a bit of a pun. (4)
14. In some cases they are known to come out only at night. (6)
15. A rare word. (4)
16. This word, always, gives you capital. (4)
17. That broken glass. (4)
18. Solution of yesterday's puzzle. Across: 1. Venerable? 2. Abridged? 3. Abridged? 4. Abridged? 5. Abridged? 6. Abridged? 7. Abridged? 8. Abridged? 9. Abridged? 10. Abridged? 11. Abridged? 12. Abridged? 13. Abridged? 14. Abridged? 15. Abridged? 16. Abridged? 17. Abridged? 18. Abridged? 19. Abridged? 20. Abridged? 21. Abridged? 22. Abridged? 23. Abridged? 24. Abridged? 25. Abridged? 26. Abridged? 27. Abridged? 28. Abridged? 29. Abridged? 30. Abridged? 31. Abridged? 32. Abridged? 33. Abridged? 34. Abridged? 35. Abridged? 36. Abridged? 37. Abridged? 38. Abridged? 39. Abridged? 40. Abridged? 41. Abridged? 42. Abridged? 43. Abridged? 44. Abridged? 45. Abridged? 46. Abridged? 47. Abridged? 48. Abridged? 49. Abridged? 50. Abridged? 51. Abridged? 52. Abridged? 53. Abridged? 54. Abridged? 55. Abridged? 56. Abridged? 57. Abridged? 58. Abridged? 59. Abridged? 60. Abridged? 61. Abridged? 62. Abridged? 63. Abridged? 64. Abridged? 65. Abridged? 66. Abridged? 67. Abridged? 68. Abridged? 69. Abridged? 70. Abridged? 71. Abridged? 72. Abridged? 73. Abridged? 74. Abridged? 75. Abridged? 76. Abridged? 77. Abridged? 78. Abridged? 79. Abridged? 80. Abridged? 81. Abridged? 82. Abridged? 83. Abridged? 84. Abridged? 85. Abridged? 86. Abridged? 87. Abridged? 88. Abridged? 89. Abridged? 90. Abridged? 91. Abridged? 92. Abridged? 93. Abridged? 94. Abridged? 95. Abridged? 96. Abridged? 97. Abridged? 98. Abridged? 99. Abridged? 100. Abridged?

CHESS PROBLEM

By W. HATSWELL
Black, 9 pieces.

White, 9 pieces.

White to play; mate in two.

Solution: 1. Kt-B2, any; 2. Q, B, or K mates.

INTELLIGENCE TEST

The Traveller

By T. O. HARE

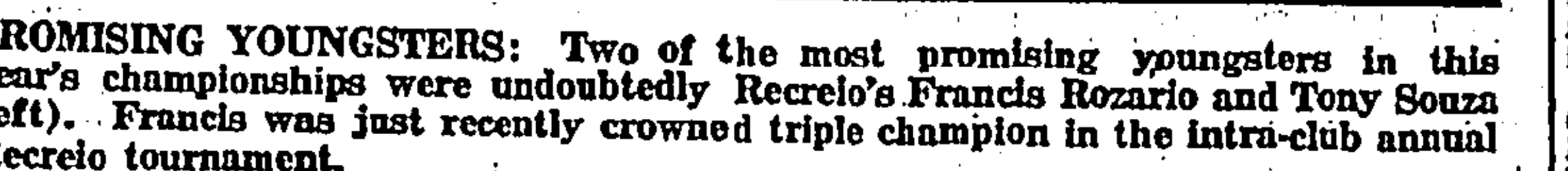
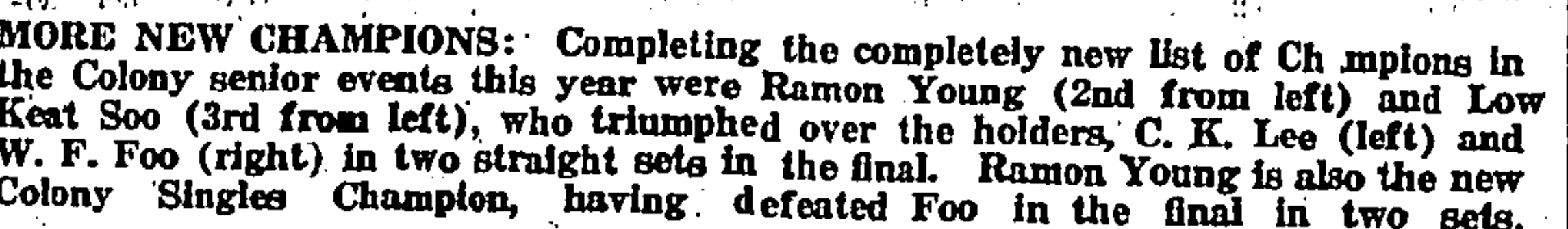
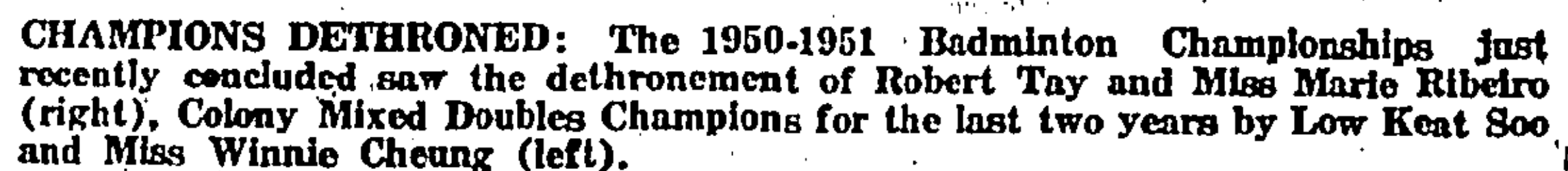
"I SHALL quite a travelling wrote Blagum to his small partner, who was out of the and see if you can identify these places. They are: 1. A small town in the north of England. 2. A small town in the south of England. 3. A small town in the west of England. 4. A small town in the east of England. 5. A small town in the north of Scotland. 6. A small town in the south of Scotland. 7. A small town in the west of Scotland. 8. A small town in the east of Scotland. 9. A small town in the north of Ireland. 10. A small town in the south of Ireland. 11. A small town in the west of Ireland. 12. A small town in the east of Ireland. 13. A small town in the north of Wales. 14. A small town in the south of Wales. 15. A small town in the west of Wales. 16. A small town in the east of Wales. 17. A small town in the north of Wales. 18. A small town in the south of Wales. 19. A small town in the west of Wales. 20. A small town in the east of Wales. 21. A small town in the north of Wales. 22. A small town in the south of Wales. 23. A small town in the west of Wales. 24. A small town in the east of Wales. 25. A small town in the north of Wales. 26. A small town in the south of Wales. 27. A small town in the west of Wales. 28. A small town in the east of Wales. 29. A small town in the north of Wales. 30. A small town in the south of Wales. 31. A small town in the west of Wales. 32. A small town in the east of Wales. 33. A small town in the north of Wales. 34. A small town in the south of Wales. 35. A small town in the west of Wales. 36. A small town in the east of Wales. 37. A small town in the north of Wales. 38. A small town in the south of Wales. 39. A small town in the west of Wales. 40. A small town in the east of Wales. 41. A small town in the north of Wales. 42. A small town in the south of Wales. 43. A small town in the west of Wales. 44. A small town in the east of Wales. 45. A small town in the north of Wales. 46. A small town in the south of Wales. 47. A small town in the west of Wales. 48. A small town in the east of Wales. 49. A small town in the north of Wales. 50. A small town in the south of Wales. 51. A small town in the west of Wales. 52. A small town in the east of Wales. 53. A small town in the north of Wales. 54. A small town in the south of Wales. 55. A small town in the west of Wales. 56. A small town in the east of Wales. 57. A small town in the north of Wales. 58. A small town in the south of Wales. 59. A small town in the west of Wales. 60. A small town in the east of Wales. 61. A small town in the north of Wales. 62. A small town in the south of Wales. 63. A small town in the west of Wales. 64. A small town in the east of Wales. 65. A small town in the north of Wales. 66. A small town in the south of Wales. 67. A small town in the west of Wales. 68. A small town in the east of Wales. 69. A small town in the north of Wales. 70. A small town in the south of Wales. 71. A small town in the west of Wales. 72. A small town in the east of Wales. 73. A small town in the north of Wales. 74. A small town in the south of Wales. 75. A small town in the west of Wales. 76. A small town in the east of Wales. 77. A small town in the north of Wales. 78. A small town in the south of Wales. 79. A small town in the west of Wales. 80. A small town in the east of Wales. 81. A small town in the north of Wales. 82. A small town in the south of Wales. 83. A small town in the west of Wales. 84. A small town in the east of Wales. 85. A small town in the north of Wales. 86. A small town in the south of Wales. 87. A small town in the west of Wales. 88. A small town in the east of Wales. 89. A small town in the north of Wales. 90. A small town in the south of Wales. 91. A small town in the west of Wales. 92. A small town in the east of Wales. 93. A small town in the north of Wales. 94. A small town in the south of Wales. 95. A small town in the west of Wales. 96. A small town in the east of Wales. 97. A small town in the north of Wales. 98. A small town in the south of Wales. 99. A small town in the west of Wales. 100. A small town in the east of Wales."

Costume Complements



By GRACE THORNCLEIFFE

SHOES, gloves, handbags, belts, in all price brackets, are abundantly stocked so that it is not a difficult task to find just what one wants to add the desired touch to a coat, suit or dress. There are plenty of muffs and wine colours to reflect the season's colour favours. Wine-red suede forms this mere shell of a pump, smartly flat, with clever strap detail. Handstitched "double woven cotton" is the fabric used for brick gloves marked by diamond-shaped appliques at the wrist and three little darts stitched on the back. Wine red again makes a trim belt of suede, belted by a gold metal disc, through which is slipped an adjustable strap. The dress-up pump of very blue suede has a looped, self-adjusting strap and a gold metal disc.



In the finals of the Colony Junior Men's Doubles Championship the pair caused a major surprise when they eliminated the top-seeded University pair of H. Tan and S. T. Hood (right) in two straight sets.—Photos by China Mail Staff Photographer.

Improvement In Junior Ranks Promises Much For The Future

Whether or not badminton in Hongkong will eclipse tennis in popularity, one development may be safely predicted. Given adequate facilities and proper direction it will not be long before four-figure attendances at these games become common and participation in international events a regular affair.

A record crowd of approximately 500 spectators at the last day's finals of the recently concluded annual championships, the very keen competition shown in all events of the tournament, and the high standard displayed particularly by the up and coming junior and lady players, all gave ample evidence of the rapid rate of progress made in this branch of sport during the past year.

Bouquets have been showered on deserving players and officials, but yet, surveying these record achievements of the past season, one feels that a great deal more could have been done towards improving the standard of the players and making the game more enjoyable from both the player's and spectator's point of view.

A recount of failures, disappointments and shortcomings met during the short space of year will serve a far more useful purpose in this review, than the interest taken by players and officials alike in recording these and the willingness to profit by lessons learned will considerably accelerate the progress of the game.

Committee in Beijing K. P. Cheng, of Technical College participate in the Schoolboys' events.

While at the present moment, the Junior standard is undoubtedly much higher than that of the Schoolboys, this comparison is immaterial, in view of the consideration that years to come the Schoolboys'...

Ranking Lists

Going together with this

Observing first consideration the annual inter-club league, the 1950-1951 season, like most seasons in the past, cannot be said to have been a success. It started promisingly, but the duck the doldrums portendments undiminished during the season. The standard will probably be the higher one.

A more significant point is the disparity in age. No matter how good he is, it is absurd to pit him at 13 or 14 against a full grown youngster of 21.

review there inadvertently is the difficult task set by popular request of compiling a ranking list for the year.

For this, participation in the Championship games must needs be a necessary

must needs be a necessary qualification and the form during these games the main guiding point.

With these points in mind, the following are my ratings of

Support for the two senior divisions, Men's "A" and Mixed doubles "A" was disappointing, with attracting two Chinese MCA entries and becoming intra-club rather than an inter-club affair.

Another aspect of the game which still shows room for improvement is what may be termed as "court etiquette". Since its introduction in 1870 in the little village of Badminton in Gloucestershire, the,

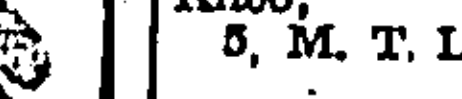
1. C. K. Lee;
2. Y. P. Young.

SENIOR MEN'S DOUBLES

1. K. S. Low and R. Young;
2. C. K. Lee and W. F. Foo;
3. H. H. Wong and D. C. Lau;
4. Robert Tay and Y. P. Young;

DIVISION AT A TIME game of badminton has shaken off much of its "parish hall" 5, J. A. Soares and H. F. Gonçalves

A happy solution to these problems appears to be a re-reading of the League season throughout the summer months, will relieve the congestion the problem of counts, and one division is run at a time, the various participating clubs will be in a better position to enter a greater number of teams than they have heretofore.



or "drawing room" suits and taken its place as one of the most strenuous sports today, but the fact that the big

CONSTITUTES
SENIOR MIXED DOUBLES
 1. K. S. Low and Winnie Cheung.
 Robert Tay and Marie Ribicki.
 3. C. K. Lee and Ivy Choong;
 4. P. H. Wong and Ullian Khoo;
 5. M. T. Lam and Elvie Teok.

LADIES' SINGLES
 1. Winnie Cheung;

tennis can be played under the direct rays of the summer sun. It certainly is feasible for badminton to be played indoors.

Unless steps are taken to encourage this game to be played throughout the year, the interest of badminton can never go beyond that of the disco in Hongkong, where the player has to find eager bookings at the beginning of every season.

the league system itself and come up before approval in view of the fact that it has done very little to improve the standard of singles play, which has a more important role in international tournaments.

that greater encouragement be accorded in this department of the game, and distinctly shown the poor number of entries the last Senior Men's Singles Ladies' Championship, and physical unfitness of a number of those who took part.

It is not serve a more purpose if the Men's and "dos" League be run on the Soccer Cup system, but utilizing it to 21 points for a game. There will be the number of nine sets for a match consisting of five sets and four doubles.

rule requiring different
ers to play in the singles
doubles will bring in seven
ers for each team as op-
posed to six in the present
team.

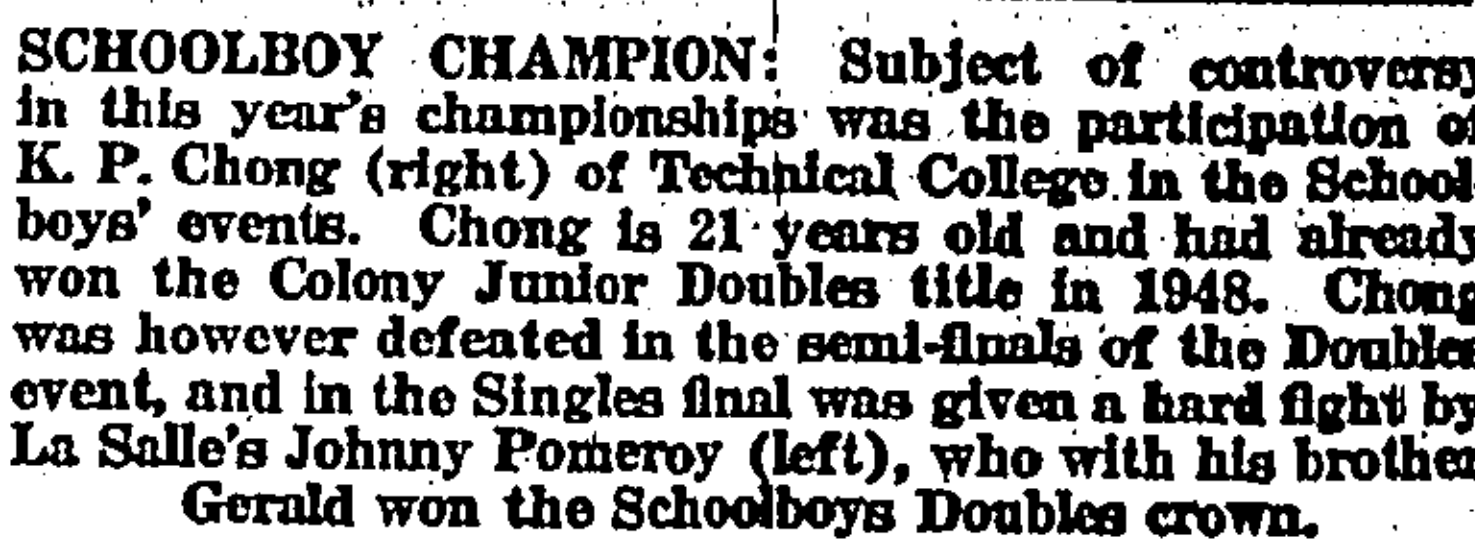
THE CHAMPIONSHIPS

In comparison, the Championship season was a highly successful one, although the number of entries in the Senior event still remained on the low side.

The standard of the play in the Championships showed a marked improvement in the Junior and Ladies' events, but little improvement in the senior events.

A very pleasing feature of the Junior games was the displaying of fancy strokes by practically all these players and the greater emphasis laid by them on point-scoring strokes, court coverage and positional play.

...sodium combination, in Junior Monte Doubles were great enough due to the fact that they were the only pair to have won three matches in the greatest club of the organization of this year's championships was the senior combined pair, Joe Chesnondine and...



Henry Longhurst on GOLF

Welcome Strangers

I see that Bob Harlow, who in the golden days was 'alter Hagen's manager, is to conduct a party of American golfers to Britain to coincide with the championship. As the rain patters on the window panes, what fun it is to plan their itinerary. We must give them, in addition to their statutory obligations at Birkdale and Northcawl, a representative

As my space notes its end, their tour is only begun. We have, however, them yet to see at the Birkdale and Heather-and-alms Arch, the golf of Woking, Addington, Bognor, and the shire and Sunningdale. These have not spiced themselves of the Rhodes at Westward Ho! or marvelled at the flower farms at Staunton, or declared the fifth at Milldenhall unplayable, or mooded as on the 14th. tee at Aberdovey with all Cardigan Bay behind them, or seen Huntercombe in bluebell time.

But what is the use of dreaming for days? Let them come for a year. Then they will know that while we wait

Leading them for convenience
 Prestwick, let us start the
 with James McHale's ex-
 perience of last summer in
 taking a cab from the airport
 and standing on the first tea at
 noon within 15 hours of leav-
 ing the United States. We
 all imagine Troon as it was
 then. Open, with the sun
 gleaming down all day and
 the sea Craig and Islay and
 all of Kintyre purple on the
 horizon.

The following will represent
Wah-Yan College and St. Stephen's College Combined
against the Manila Collegiate Club at the Grand, Happy Valley, today at 4.30 p.m.:

Tommy Lam (Wah Yee); Wong
Ching-choi (St. Stephen's); Wang
Shing (St. Stephen's); John Ngan
(Wah Yee) (Capt.); John Kwan-tung
(St. Stephen's); Chan Chai-sang (St.
Stephen's); Lau Siung-ait (Wah
Yee); Chan Chung-kwok (Wah
Yee); Chan Kwok-shing (Wah Yee);
Wong Sei-jet (St. Stephen's);
Yung-wing (Wah Yee). Reserves:

to the Old course at St. Andrew, which they will take first, to be half joke, half earnest, yet inwardly suspecting that once again the wily English in their incomprehensible way have "got something" for them down to the Golf Club.

they must stand on that
 the Gulliano; and
 down across Muirfield to
 the Archerfield Wood and the
 the Rock, and on the other
 to the dim, distant tracery
 of the Forest Bridge. North
 the twick, the suffness, Longmady
 may just be
 there before we hugle them
 h.

Alkro School v Kang George v
 Junior Division Knockout Competition
 Prizy Cup - 2-K.F.M. v
 a.m.; Wah Yan A.M. v G.V.B.B. 10
 No. 1 Navy Division v St. Joseph's
 College, No. 3 Navy Division, 11
 a.m.
 Yau, Kwaihou v Le Salle
 College, Junior League, 11 a.m.
 Division No. 3 Navy Division, 11
 a.m.

They must play at Sandwich, mouse, and, looking across fence to the reviving cees, spare a moment to give Gene Sarazen striding emphantly up the 18th, than at last. And then on Rye, looking it easy, as on that first magical day of spring last week, and in- gurg our friends to look across marsh to the little church with the bell, and reflect that a man of Winchelsea made the hole in 1886, and that it has a fine wing.

ON THE DOWNS,
know it is against the book
form, but I should like
also to sample a unique
to me bewitching game,
ely, golf on the Downs—
llovah! Royal East-
one, say, in the morning,
Bitchington in the after-

cided not to entertain the Sai-
gon team as June is past the
season here which ends on
May 19.
The Interport game is thus
automatically cancelled.

Rugger Results
On Monday, Apr. 2

MANLING GOLF
P. Birtwhistle (14) qualified for the Captain's Cup after coming over the week-end as the best amateur in the county. The Optional Final on Sunday there will be a contest between England and Scotland.

Oslo, Apr. 9. Malaysia's best badminton players, Wong Peng-Soon, Ong Poh-lim, Ismail Bln Marjan and Cheong Hock-Leng, have been invited by the Norwegian Badminton Federation to take part in an international tournament in Oslo on April 18 and 19, it was announced today.—Associated Press.

HOME SOCCER.
London, Apr. 8.
The following were the re-
sults of football matches played
today:

THIRD DIVISION
SOUTHERN

Exmouth A.	4	Northampton T.	1
Port Vale	5	Crystal P.	1

(Game abandoned after 00
minutes).—*Leicester.*

THESE SHOTS REDUCE SNOOKER FOULS

[illegible]

The first round of the International Hockey tournament will be played on Sunday, April 15 as follows:

1. England v. Ireland, R.N. No. 1 ground, 10 a.m. (Umpire, Mr. O. K.G.M. Smith and W.O. Padley).
2. India v. Malaya, R.N. No. 2 ground, 10 a.m. (Umpires, C. Blackbourn and Major J. G. England v. Pakistan, R.N. No. 1 ground, 11.30 a.m.; (Umpires, J. C. Hickson and R.S.M. McClellenn).
4. Netherlands v. Scotland, R.N. No. 3 ground, 11.30 a.m.; (Umpires, J.S. Crowl and A.M. Stive).
The semi-finals will be played on Tuesday, April 17 at the R.N. ground, 5.30 p.m.

The 12 teams of which umpire details are included in the list are expected to be in the R.N. ground by 10 a.m.

In comparison, the championship season was a highly successful one, although a number of entries in the Senior events still remained on the disappointing side. A pleasing feature, however, was the greater willingness of junior players to participate in the senior events and the successes scored by the Lam brother and sister in the Junior Mixed Doubles, and the Rogers and Souza combination in the Junior and Senior Doubles were to great credit to the confidence and experience they gained in these senior matches.

the Championships allowed a marked improvement in the Junior and Ladies' events, but little improvement in the senior events.

A very pleasing feature of the Junior games was the discarding of *large shuffles*, by practically all the players, and the greater emphasis laid by them on point-scoring strokes, court coverage and positional play.

Inaccuracy still remained the greatest drawback, but should the game be continuously played throughout the year, the topping Championships will no doubt take their gradual improvement and result in the *new and improved* A.S.B. event.

1. J. B. Pomeroy, Jr. and G. L. Pomeroy;
2. Bobby Heng and Wong Chong Yee;
3. K. P. Chong and S. Y. Wong;
4. D. Ouy and J. Ouy;
5. N. H. Loh and U Sei-ching.

Swimming Record

Mannheim, Apr. 9.
Herbert Klein, Germany's European breaststroke swimming champion, bettered his own European record for the 200 metres breaststroke by 12 weeks yesterday, swimming the distance

I know it is against the book of form, but I should like them also to sample a unique and to me bewitching game, namely, golf on the Downs—archaic, lovable Royal Eastbourne, say, in the morning and Blatchington in the afternoon.

FANLING GOLF

W. P. Birchwhistle (14) qualified for the Captain's Cup at Fanling over the week-end with a nett score of 71, and also won the Optional Pool.

Next Sunday there will be a

yon team, as June is past, the season here which ends on May 19.

The Interport game is thus automatically cancelled.

Rugger Results

London, Apr. 9.

The following were the results of rugger games played today:

RUGBY LEAGUE

Wigan 44, Rochdale Hornets 10.

York 15, Castleford 8.

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RICE-POWERED WRESTLING PROGRAMMES ARE THE RAGE OF SINGAPORE

Says MILTON MARMOR

Singapore, Apr. 9.

Wrestling bouts between ungainly monsters wallowing in their own sweat have become the social rage of Singapore.

The better elements can be seen Saturday nights at the Happy World covered stadium — Singapore's Madison Square Garden — revelling in the grandiloquence of the rice-power programmes and beaming good wishes on such darlings as Andre Adoree whose "impeccable conduct in the ring" has stamped him as a "sportsman of the highest order."

They heap invectives on the other hand, upon the bald and burly beasts as King Kong (a human) whose unsportsmanlike

conduct does seem so unbecoming when one considers his 300 pounds of bulging porkiness. And when aroused these enthusiastic followers of the noble art of wrestling release themselves of such scorches as: "Rubbish," "Utter Nonsense," "Never on your life."

The Happy World stadium is the scene of such varied events as the Singapore Dog Show, boxing matches, exhibitions of Indian classical dancing by the darlings Luthi Padmini and Ragini, badminton contests, musical competition, trade fairs, basketball, beauty contests and even a flower show.

"THE BIGGEST EVER"

Familiar? Yes, indeed, especially when the wrestling announcements sound like this: "Ladies and Gentlemen: We are happy to present what is probably the biggest wrestling contest ever staged in Singapore. It brings together King Kong, Champion of Champions, and Andre Adoree, undefeated since he arrived from the USA."

Sit tightly wedged on portable wooden chairs between 10,000 perspiring sports lovers — and you never left the United States.

The 10,000 miles from television do not seem to have changed much. The wrestling contest — despite the fact everyone involved, including the audiences, the press and the promoters, insist they are on the up and up — have an old nostalgic smell.

The Impeccable Adoree, billed as the French Canadian Champion, comported himself as only a gentleman can in the face of the provocations of the ugly mannered King Kong. Adoree refused to bite or gouge. He

followed the referee's instructions to the letter.

INSUFFERABLE PAIN
He withstood insufferable pain and punishment to stand like the man he was against the brute King Kong, whose beard he would never, never pull.

King Kong lacked the very prestige of sportsmanship. He took advantage of every opening and he quarrelled incessantly with the referee. So much so, in fact, that the referee had to jump atop the two gladiators several times to break them.

Ah, the morning and the breast-beating that filled the stadium; the mat pounding and the agonised appeals to reason; the strutting and the pachydermatous necks entangled in the ropes — ah, the vintage of 1941, Laurel Garden, Newark, New Jersey.

A young Chinese lad, seated behind a British gentleman attired in a formal dinner jacket, seemed to know how to meet the drama of the situation. The youngster was dispatching wadded missiles out of an improvised rubber band peashooter in the general direction of the blubber-choked ring.

THE HONEST TRUTH

Incidentally, Adoree either won, lost or gained a draw in this great return match with King Kong. Their first meeting ended in joint disqualification because both kept on the wrong side of the ropes too long. (If the truth must be known, King Kong was the victor.)

But, fear not, you who have but to turn a television dial, these two shall meet again — here in this tropical island on the bottommost tip of Asia where the cultures of the East and West have merged. — Associated Press.

Len Eyre Looks Forward To Racing Bannister

Man who was badly missed by the English cross-country team for the international race at Newport was Empire three-mile champion Len Eyre, who has been a valuable scoring member of the team for the past two seasons.

Eyre decided to quit cross-country this season in order to give an injured knee a chance to recover in time for the track season.

Eyre, who aims to produce really fast times for the mile this summer, is already looking forward to renewing his duels with his rival Bill Nankeville. He is also anxious to have his first race against Roger Bannister.

—(London Express Service.)

She's After The Women's Golf Championship

Golf international Miss Jeanne Blagood had two great ambitions — to pass her examination for the Bar and to win the English women's championship.

A round of golf made her feel ready to sit down and "crum." She succeeded in the former — and good judges of golf believe she is on her way to be a champion.

She is one of our best match players. Her fine style and crisp hitting took her to the last green in the Curtis Cup match at Buffalo, New York, against Peggy Kirk, one of America's leading players. She was beaten by a stroke.

In the British Women's championship at Harlech two years ago, she knocked out her favourite, American champion Grace Lenzky, in the third round.

She was chosen for the team to go to the U.S. after her performance last year in the internationals and the championship at Royal County Down.

—(London Express Service.)

Gremlins' Opposition Narrowed Down To 16 Players

After two trials, the selectors of the Rest side to play the Champions of the Senior Division of the Ladies' Hockey League have narrowed down the Gremlins' probable opposition to 16 players.

In actual fact, the selectors — Mr J. H. Blinko, Mr W. A. Reed and Mrs M. Read — have decided to play a team of only eleven against the Gremlins.

However, they still want 16 players in attendance at the game which will be the most important of the Ladies' hockey season and they desire an adequate number of reserves to allow for every position being filled by a player accustomed to it.

The selected 16 are: Anne Graham-Cumming (University), Sylvia Franklin (Victoria), Rosemary Read (Gremlins "B"), Louise Warming (RGVS), Mrs J. Van Houten (Dutch), Shirley Read (RGVS), Peggy Faber (Victoria), D. Handyside (Victoria), Sheila Hall (RGVS), Beth MacNaughton (Victoria), Lily Danenberg (Victoria), Elvira Phillips (Victoria), Mrs Amanda Silva (Victoria), Maureen Hodgkinson (RGVS), Hannah Foley (Victoria), and Owen Whitworth (Victoria).

On Wednesday, April 18, the selected 16 will be required to play in a practice match against a team to be selected from the following players, who are also requested to attend at King's Park at 5.45 p.m. on April 18: Mrs L. Brandt, N. Buyer, F. Correa, H. Hale, V. Jillett, R. MacDonald, F. Owen, O. O'Carroll, L. Sanders, R. Scott, Mrs Silva, S. Winter, and P. Wright.

POINT MATCHES

All Senior League teams will be required to turn out for 10-minute "point" matches to be played on the King George V School ground on Sunday, April 15.

LINCOLNSHIRE WINNER



Mr H. Lane's outsider, Barnes Park (J. Slime up) winning the Lincolnshire Handicap from Newton Heath (H. Jones up) and, right, being led in after the race. — Central Press Photos.

Normal Tests May Not Detect A New Drug Used To Dope Horses

Says "THE SCOUT"

The French have produced some magnificent horses in the last dozen years. It would be churlish to allege that many of these have been doped.

There is no doubt, however, that some French trainers do dope their horses, and very efficiently, too.

The French authorities are not so severe in their sentences. In fact, they apparently see nothing incongruous about warning off a trainer for doping and still allowing him to supervise the training of "his" horses.

Blackpool's Team Is The Centre Of Soccer Interest

Says ARCHIE QUICK

The Blackpool team is right bang in the centre of football interest just now. Their inside half, Allan Brown has been selected as left half for Scotland against England at Wembley; Harry Johnston has been voted "Player of the Year" by the Football Writers Association, and goalkeeper Farm has been chosen as reserve for the Scottish team.

The honours to Johnston and Brown provide football romances. A year ago I saw Brown play for the Scottish League against the English League at Middlesbrough and said at the time that here was a star of the future. But in a week or two, he had refused Dundee's terms and would not re-sign. He took a job as a labourer and said that he was prepared to sacrifice his playing career for his principles. "I will not be a slave," he is reported to have said.

An obscure London club, Croydon Rovers, tried to sign him as a £10 a week player-coach, but at the last minute negotiations broke down. He turned up in Cardiff with his Welsh-born wife. His name was associated with the City Club but nothing happened.

Then Manager Joe Smith stepped in and signed him last December for £25,000 and the side of success turned immediately in Blackpool's favour. So from being "The Forgotten Man," Brown emerges to make

There is not the same money-motive as in Britain. Except on big-race days a French owner has no chance of bringing off a gamble of any magnitude.

Betting is confined to the tote, and normally individual race-pools are so small that a £200 bet makes a substantial difference to the final odds.

OVER THREE IS SUSPECT

Many of our trainers have had experience of French horses who have been "treated." That is why, now, they prefer to buy only young horses in France. Anything over the age of three is suspect.

The job is done well. There are certain experts, both in France and Belgium. The best of them is a man connected with trotting-racers. It is not unusual for a horse to be sent to one of the Paris meetings, to "draw up" at his "consulting room."

The authorities in Britain have been notably courteous in their attitude towards the doping-testing of French-trained horses.

The only instance which I can recall of a French horse being swabbed in England was at Newmarket in 1946. The horse was the sprinter Boree Tests proved negative.

It would, however, be intolerable to subject the horses of leading French owners and trainers to tests while their opposite numbers in Britain enjoy immunity.

FRENCH HAVE MORE TIME

There is a scare now that the French have a new dope which cannot be detected. We will hear more of this next year.

Doping by outside agents is far less common across the Channel. French trainers are more fortunate than ours in that they have ample time to devote to the supervision of their horses. Travelling is confined within easy limits.

Our trainers, on the other hand, spend a large proportion of their working time in trials or car. This doubles their difficulties.

SEIYS ON THE JOB

A few weeks ago a trainer friend of mine was walking one evening from an outlying stall-yard back to his house. He noticed a big (Horse) parked in the lane. A glance at the tough-looking characters inside reminded him, he says, of the "spies" in some of Glee's parsons.

The head man was waiting. "There's a lad come to apply for that vacancy. His references are good and he seems all right," he said.

The interview was short. "You came by car — that car down the lane?" "Yes." "Well, go away in it!"

JOHN IKIN IS READY TO TAKE HIS PLACE IN THE TEST TEAM

London, Apr. 9.

With England's cricketers back home after their Australasian tour, the next major thought will centre on the composition of the team to play against South Africa in this summer's Tests.

In thinking of that tour, while the rain still patters down in the cold, dreary days of an English winter's closing weeks, one thought comes to mind.

Will Denis Compton's knee stand up for the season and, if not, is there another batsman ready made to take his place in the team?

Whatever the answer to the first part, the second provides a decided affirmative answer and the man in question is John Ikin, of Lancashire.

OUTSTANDING

Ikin was one of the outstanding batsmen of that tour, with an average of 41.14 for 33 innings in which he was not out five times and aggregated 1,202 runs.

Only Frank Worrell, of the West Indies, finished ahead of him so far as the men who played from start to finish of the tour were concerned. Ikin can, on occasion, also prove a

useful change bowler but batting is his strong suit.

This regular Lancashire player was almost an automatic choice for England between 1946 and 1948, but was then dropped. True, he had a spell of ill health after the Australian tour of 1946-47, but now he appears to be back to his best.

Just as in horse-racing, those animals who have wintered over hurdles are fitter in the early weeks of the flat racing season, so Ikin, after the spell of sunny weather in India, is likely to be in brilliant form from the start of the English season in a few weeks' time. — Reuter.

Essex CCC Investigating Economies

Essex County Cricket Club, like many other counties, have financial problems. Last season they lost £2,267. Now they have appointed a committee to investigate possible economies.

No doubt they will consider the balance-sheet that was presented at the annual meeting of the club in London.

It included: Secretary's accommodation and salary, £2,098 12s. 9d.; assistant secretary's salary, £500, plus car allowance, £175. In addition, £2,780 was paid to three clerical assistants.

The secretary, until his recent resignation, was R. F. T. Paterson. The assistant secretary is the England amateur, Trevor Bailey, who plays regularly for Essex.

FRUITFUL

Mr Hubert Ashton, the club's president and chairman, was asked at the meeting what services Bailey rendered for his salary. He replied Bailey had worked largely in connection with the county's coaching scheme. His services had been fruitful.

Pressed for more information, Mr Ashton, who had not received previous notice of the original question, said: "I will give full details as soon as they can be got out."

—(London Express Service.)

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB NOTICE TO MEMBERS FOURTH RACE MEETING

Saturday 7th & Sunday 14th April, 1951

The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m. and the first race will be run at 2.00 p.m. each day.

There are ten races each day (20 in all). Through Tickets at \$40.00 each may be obtained at the Comptroller Office of the Club, 1st floor, Telephone House, also tickets at \$2.00 each for the Special Cash Sweep on the last race of the Meeting as well as the Special Cash Sweep on the "Hong Kong Derby" scheduled to be run on Saturday, 12th May. Through Tickets reserved for this Meeting but not paid for by 10.00 a.m. on Friday, 6th April, will be sold and the reservation cancelled for future meetings.

To avoid congestion at the Club's Offices at Telephone House, non-members are requested to purchase their sweep tickets at the Club's Branch Offices at: 5, D'Agular Street, Hong Kong or 382, Nathan Road, Kowloon.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE
MEMBERS ARE INFORMED THE 1951 SETS OF MEMBERS AND LADIES' BADGES NOW SUPERSEDE THE PREVIOUS ISSUE.

Members and guests are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the Meeting.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Badges admitting ladies not in possession of Brooches or Season tickets and gentlemen, non-members of the Club, to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10.00 per day including tax, for ladies or gentlemen are obtainable through the Secretary on the written or personal introduction of a member, such member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for payment of all bills etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the RACE COURSE.

The Treasurers' Comptroller Office will close at 11.00 a.m. and the Secretary's Office at 11.45 a.m. each day. Both offices at 1st floor, Telephone House.

A limited number of lifts will be obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 27818).

NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$3.00 per day including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

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Servants' passes will be issued to private box holders only, who are requested to distribute them with discrimination and to endorse their names on the passes. Holders of such passes are not permitted to enter the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties and must remain in their employers' stables.

Owing to the present congestion in the Members' Dining Hall, Box-holders and Members are requested to ensure that their servants make use only of the Public Betting Hall. Military Police will be posted at various entrances to the Members' Hall to ensure that this regulation is adhered to.

BY ORDER
J. A. (Secretary)

THE ARSENAL INFLUENCE AT BURNLEY

Former Arsenal wing-half and Scottish international manager Frank Hill, Burnley manager for the last two seasons, has not forgotten the lessons he learned at Highbury. That is why he has been so successful in keeping Burnley's habit of sound defence.

Since the war Burnley have had only 200 goals scored against them in 204 League games. No first-class club can rival that record, but it includes their Second Division promotion year 1946-47, when they had only 29 goals against them in the whole season.

AGUENT ON YOUTH

Hill recently decided that rather than have eight men with average ages of 32 in the team he would rather have eight whose ages averaged 22. That is why at Stamford Bridge in a recent match he had Stephenson, an 18-year-old, as outside-left, McIlroy, 19, as inside-left, four men aged 22 — right-half, Adams, centre-half, Cummings, centre-forward, and outside-right, Frank Hill, 35, and left-half, 19.



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Notice to Shareholders

Ordinary Yearly Meeting
Notice is hereby given that the Sixtieth Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Members of the Company will be held at the office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Pedder Street, Hong Kong, on Wednesday, the 11th day of April, 1951, at Noon, to transact the following business:—

1. To receive and consider the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1950, and the Auditor's Report thereon.
2. To sanction a dividend in respect of the year 1950.
3. To elect Directors.
4. To appoint Auditors.

Closing of Transfer Books

Notice is also given that the Transfer Books and Register of Members will be closed from the 28th March, 1951, to the 11th April, 1951, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
G. B. S. THOMSON,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 19th March, 1951.

NOTICE

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

CIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES

Consignees per Company's

m.v. "FELIX ROUSSEL"

are hereby notified that their cargo is being discharged into the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co.'s godowns where it will be at Consignees' risk and subject to the Wharf's terms and conditions of storage, and where delivery may be obtained as soon as the goods are landed.

Damaged packages are to be left in the godowns for examination by Consignees and the Company's surveyors, Messrs. Goddard & Bouillon, at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, 11th April 1951.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the steamer's godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after 15th April 1951, will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before 30th April 1951, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

CIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES

Hongkong, 6th April, 1951.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

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m.v. "REVALDEN"

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Damaged packages are to be left in the godowns for examination by Consignees and the Company's surveyors, Messrs. Carmichael and Clarke, at 10 a.m., 15th April, 1951.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the steamer's godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after 15th April, 1951, will be subject to rent.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

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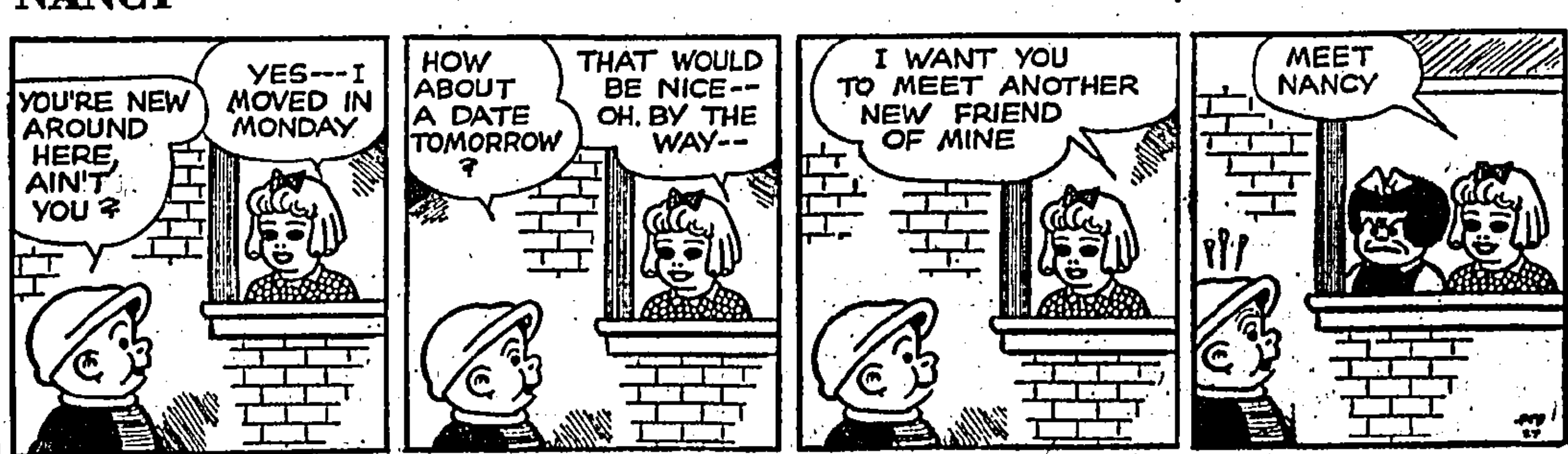
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Quest For Newsprint

Montreal, Apr. 9.
Mr. J. C. Jain, general manager of the Times of India, arrived today on a quest for newsprint. He said he would spend a week interviewing newspaper companies in Canada, then would go to the United States on a similar mission as guest of the United States Government.

Mr. Jain suggested that Canadian newspapers, which consume part of their own country's output, voluntarily cut their usage to help Indian newspapers as an example to United States newspapers, which use most of the Canadian production.

"If United States papers cut their consumption, India and other countries will buy newsprint from Canada at \$210 per ton and the world's situation would right itself," he said. "This would force the Scandinavian countries to drop their price of \$22 per ton."

The Canadian New York newsprint price is \$100 a ton.—United Press.

Pilots Rescued By Helicopter

Tokyo, Apr. 9.
An American helicopter pilot today twice flew deep into Communist-held territory to bring out downed fighter pilots whose aircraft had crashed.
First Lieutenant Clifford W. Brown, of Charlotte, North Carolina, was credited with rescuing the pilot within a few hours of each other. Brown was accompanied by Staff Sergeant Edward H. Rogers, a medical technician, of Big Bear Lake, California.
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Wool Prices Decline

Sydney, Apr. 9.
 Wool values today declined 15 to 30 per cent. compared with the closing rates on March 8. Merino was down 15 per cent., other merino descriptions 20 per cent. combeds 20 per cent. and other descriptions 20 to 30 per cent. Grey was sold at 250 pence. American buyers were absent. Observers considered the price drop only temporary and the market regained most of its strength when buyers regained the confidence lost when the Americans pulled out. — United Press.

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET

Business was stagnant on the Hongkong Stock Exchange during this morning's session and totalled only \$48,255. Noon quotations were as follows:-

SHARES BUYERS SELLERS SALES

Bank 1300 10 @ 1370 2 @ 1303

First Asia 102

DOCKS, ETC. N. P. 610 2 @ 3

Star Ferry 2.90 2 @ 3

LAND, ETC. JHK Hotel 5 1/2 39 1/2

UTILITIES Team 11.80 1000 @ 11.25

C. Light (O) 6.00 900 @ 0

C. Light (N) 3.40

C. Light (B) 5.75

Electric 22 1/2 300 @ 23

STORES, ETC. Dairy 11 1/2 12 500 @ 11 1/2

Watson 10.50

COTTONS Ewo 200

Pepper Market

Strengthens

New York, Apr. 9.

The pepper market strengthened over the week-end with spot supplies quoted 5 cents a pound higher. Firmness in London and Bombay, plus nervousness over the international political picture, with the result, tant strength in other commodities, shaped market sentiment.

Bombay April shipment offerings were reported from 1.66 to 1.69 a pound, including cost and freight.

The New York Produce Exchange reported that stocks of black pepper in licensed warehouses in the port of New York on March 31 totalled 475 bags, compared with only 232 bags on hand the previous month. March receipts totalled 4,575 bags.

The last tender day for May contract will be May 24. At the close, May was quoted nominally unchanged at \$1.63 a pound. Declines in "job lot" contracts remained suspended. — United Press.

SINGAPORE MARKET

Singapore, Apr. 9.

Prices of rubber futures closed here today as follows:-

Number 1 rubber, 20 1/2-20 3/4

per lb. April 20 1/2-20 3/4

June 20 1/2-20 3/4

Number 2 rubber, 19 1/2-19 3/4

per lb. April 19 1/2-19 3/4

June 19 1/2-19 3/4

Number 3 rubber, 18 1/2-18 3/4

per lb. April 18 1/2-18 3/4

June 18 1/2-18 3/4

Number 4 rubber, 17 1/2-17 3/4

per lb. April 17 1/2-17 3/4

June 17 1/2-17 3/4

Spot rubber, unskid, 20 1/2-20 3/4

Black crepe 18 1/2-18 3/4

No. 1 pale crepe 20 1/2-20 3/4

— United Press.

TIN MARKET FIRMS UP

London, Apr. 9.

The tin market today opened firmer. Turnover was 60 tons, including 35 tons for spot.

Prices closed today at the end of the official morning session as follows:-

Standard tin, 1200

Three months tin, 1200

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Rubber Talks Said Aimed At Reaching Allocation System

Rome, Apr. 9.

Representatives of the world's main rubber producing and consuming countries met secretly in a police-guarded palace here today to try to bring their interests into line.

It was understood delegates were exploring the possibility of an international rubber allocation agreement but no one at the conference would confirm this.

All comment was declined. Delegations took part from Canada, Ceylon, Indonesia, Italy, Britain, the United States, France, Holland, Thailand and Vietnam.

The Colonial Governments of Malaya, Singapore and North Borneo were directly represented while the British delegation spoke for Nigeria and Sarawak.

Sir Gerald Clauson of the Colonial Office and Mr. S. Lovell of the Board of Trade, headed the British delegation. So secret was the conference in the Farnesina Palace that Secretariat officials declined even to give its telephone number or the names of delegation chiefs.

The conference is a special session continuing a meeting in London last February.

It is hoped to end it before delegates begin the international Rubber Study group's annual conference here next week. — Reuters.

ERRATIC MARKET IN COTTON

New York, Apr. 9.

Cotton futures ran up and down the price ladder, covering a range of \$2.50. Frequently the market was influenced by small orders.

Some chart readers watched the fluctuations in December delivery. Their opinion is that the testing point of the market stability will occur if that position works back to the 38.53 cents low established last week.

The market opened unchanged to off 10 points. Thereafter, it descended fast closed on a rally with the list up 22 to 43 points.

Prices closed today as follows:-

Spot 40.08 nominal

May 40.30 bid

October 39.72-39.74

December 38.53-38.55

March (1952) 38.51

May 38.57 nominal

October 38.23 bid

December 38.23 bid

March (1952) 38.71 bid

May 38.10 bid

October 38.10 bid

December 38.10 bid

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SLOW DAY IN WALL STREET

New York, Apr. 9.

Stock prices managed to advance a little in an extremely slow market today but it was an uphill pull all the way. There were declines in about every category but the gains just managed to outnumber them.

Steel moved ahead but only by around 50 cents. General Motors and Chrysler were up slightly and Studebaker was down a small fraction.

Aircraft listed two of the stronger gainers—Boeing up \$1.25 at one time and Douglas ahead two.

Several railroad stocks gained ground, but the carrier list had its weak moments.

Santa Fe, New York Central, Southern Railway and Southern Pacific gained a little, while Union Pacific, Baltimore and Ohio and Pennsylvania lost ground.

Dealers said they thought stocks were doing well considering the depressing foreign comment from House Speaker Sam Rayburn.

Mr. Rayburn came out of a conference with President Harry Truman, and spoke of "terrible danger" with Russians building up concentrations "everywhere."

Traders also kept a close watch on business inventories being piled up, but many discounted the full warehouses as more than a minor disturbing factor.

Consolidated Coppermines opened up 1/4 on transfer of a block of 10,000 shares and retained its advance.

Chemicals were a little ahead, oils were mixed and radio and television stocks were on the uptick.

Dow Jones Averages:

Stocks 92.47

20 Industrials 250.57

15 Railroads 82.84

10 Utilities 42.43

—Associated Press.

Pressure In Textiles Eases Off

New York, Apr. 9.

The cotton textile market steadied today. There was less pressure of re-sale offerings in the print cloth division following fairly large sales last Friday. Other sections of the market were firm.

The wool goods market was quiet with the industry studying the latest pricing order on yarns and fabrics. Mills awaited a cleared picture of the trend in world wool prices which continued lower, according to advices from abroad.

Mills were prepared to ship goods to manufacturers previously sold, now that they have been granted partial relief on rising costs for the period up to Dec. 31, 1950.

Rayon goods were quiet and easy, reflecting excessive inventories in converter hands and the slow pace of sales in finished goods. — Associated Press.

Ship Charter Extension

Washington, Apr. 9.

Chairman John Kee of the House Foreign Affairs Committee today introduced a resolution extending until April 30, 1954, the authority of the U. S. Maritime Administration to charter U. S. ships to Philippine operators.

Mr. Kee said the charter of about eight such ships now in Philippine inter-island trade will expire in a few weeks. The aim of the resolution is to extend these charters as a further means of aiding Philippine economy.

Mr. Kee told the Associated Press he was confident the resolution would receive Congressional approval. — Associated Press.

Jute Quotas

Bombay, Apr. 9.

Australia, with 54,000 tons topped the list when export quotas for Indian jute goods for the balance of 1950 were announced by the Government's Imports Control Commission.

Britain, with 40,000 tons, followed.

— Associated Press.

Ban On Trading In Gold

TAIPEH'S ACTION

Taipeh, Apr. 8.

In an effort to stabilise the present financial and economic situation in Formosa, the Nationalist Government today ordered an immediate prohibition of trading in gold and foreign currency though private holding still remains legal.

An official communiqué released tonight ruled that people are allowed to hold whatever foreign currency they have on hand but are not allowed to trade in them.

Should anyone need Taiwan currency, he has to sell foreign currency in his possession to a Government bank at the official rate.

Any private transaction is subject to prosecution and the amount transacted to confiscation.

The communiqué also reiterated the existing regulation that any outgoing passenger is only allowed to bring gold or gold ornaments not exceeding two official taels (shih-liang) and foreign currency not exceeding US\$200.

The financial authorities are apparently attempting to wipe out the black market in Taiwan currency in relation to the United States dollar. — United Press.

NY Resumes Trading In Wool

New York, Apr. 9.

Wool and wool tops futures dropped the daily limit of 10 cents a pound today as trading was resumed by the Wool Association of the New York Cotton Exchange.

It was the first trading in wool and wool tops since Jan. 29, when activity was suspended pending clarification of the Government's price stabilization order.

The decision to reopen the market followed an order of the Office of Price Stabilization last week establishing a ceiling of \$3.55 a pound on futures and \$4.56 on tops.

The limit declines were attributed by dealers to the reversal in soaring raw wool prices at the Australian auctions.

The first trades were in wool top futures with four contracts in the nearby May delivery at \$3.87 of the 10 cents limit from the previous close. — Associated Press.

New York Sugar Futures

New York, Apr. 9.

Domestic sugar futures No. 6 closed two lower or two higher. Sales were 155 contracts.

May 5.25 bid

July 5.48 bid

September 5.50 bid

World sugar futures No. 11 closed unchanged to six higher with sales of 73 contracts.

May 5.45 bid

July 5.50 bid

September 5.52 nominal

March 5.00

Raw spot 5.30

—Associated Press.

Stock Exchange Awaits Budget

London, Apr. 9.

The Stock Exchange mainly marked time today because of the new national budget due to be unveiled in the House of Commons tomorrow.

British Government bonds eased through much of the list. Some leading industrial stocks shed a few pence.

Oil, copper, and rubber issues were hesitant. Gold mines were irregular in a narrow range.

The Financial Times Daily Index: 122.7. — Associated Press.

NY EXCHANGES

New York, Apr. 9.

Foreign Exchange:

